



he evening  
A. McCall  
the topic  
Calvary,  
ground the

RECORD

Desig.	5N
Gifts	Clal
95.95	21.00
25.74	5.00
70.00	16.00
12.35	11.00
7.56	
23.00	
20.45	125.50
91.22	46.00
2.55	1.00
2.31	
9.40	22.00
9.70	
70.23	247.50

4.00	
2.10	
99.60	138.50
3.80	
38.93	21.00
39.40	8.00
23.05	96.00
3.00	12.00
2.00	
45.26	25.00
2.47	
3.61	235.50

5.50	
0.65	129.00
23.30	18.00
5.00	89.50
1.50	
7.50	67.50
5.68	117.50
9.40	42.00
2.70	16.00
3.31	
5.25	13.00
8.10	
7.00	102.00
4.00	27.00
2.21	17.00
.90	2.00
2.77	187.00
1.77	767.25

5.50	
9.50	
.50	
1.36	
.50	
1.59	110.00
1.00	
.50	
.06	10.00
.00	17.00
	12.00

.90	9.00
-----	------

.41	158.00
.56	108.75

5 18817.75

PLEASE  
DS ARE

# The Baptist Record

"THY KINGDOM COME"

OLD SERIES  
VOLUME LXII.

Jackson, Miss., February 1, 1940

NEW SERIES  
VOLUME XLII. No. 5

## Who's Who and What's What

Next week, Feb. 5-10, is Religious Emphasis Week at Furman University, Greenville, S. C., led by Prof. Chester Swor of Mississippi College.

Traveler: "In Guatemala the driver who blows his horn the loudest has the right of way." Historian: "In parts of Europe this is called diplomacy."

Dr. L. R. Scarborough preached in a recent revival in Phoenix, Arizona, C. V. Rock pastor. There were 40 additions to the church and several volunteers for life service.

Dr. R. Q. Leavell, Home Board superintendent of evangelism, will hold three evangelistic conferences in Canada; one at London, one at Toronto and another at Montreal.

Eighth Ave. Church, Meridian, has called Rev. W. M. Burns to its pastorate. During the pastorate of Rev. C. A. Alexander the work has doubled in every department.

J. Edgar Hoover says that, "the first three years since repeal constitute the most terrible period of criminal history in the life of America." One-fifth of the cases in the criminal docket result from liquor.

A negro church in Dallas was giving an average of \$30.00 a Sunday. They studied Dr. R. C. Campbell's "God's Plan," and are now giving \$200.00 a Sunday. Most of the members work for small salaries.

Prof. Chester Swor of Mississippi College held a successful Youth Revival at Gaston Ave. Church, Dallas, Jan. 14-21. The next week he spoke daily at Baylor University Hospital, Dallas during Religious Emphasis Week.

Some weeks ago we received from the publishers of Fortune an editorial which was soon to be published which took "the church" to task for its failure in moral leadership. It was said that for 100 years the church has lost ground and surrendered its leadership. The publishers asked for our reaction to this editorial, as they probably did of many other editors of religious papers. The Christian Century soon afterward had a lengthy editorial in response. It seems to us that both these magazines are in error as to facts. It is true that in some places the churches have had their lampstands practically removed, but it is far from a fact in the general condition of our churches. There are many more people in our churches today in proportion to population; there is much more interest in evangelism and missions. A hundred years ago a missionary church was the exception. Missionaries and mission boards have multiplied. Sunday schools and Training unions for young people have sprung up everywhere, and their numbers are still growing. There was never as great interest in church work on the part of young people as now. The question as to why churches have lost out is like the one as to why a live fish in a bowl does not make it weigh more: It is not so. There are particular times and places of spiritual and moral recession, but the general trend is upward. There may be prominent politicians today who play poker and drink whiskey, but it is far from being as common as it was fifty years ago. The world is bad enough, but the gospel is still leading many in triumph at the chariot wheels of Jesus.

Mr. Grant Sinclair of Ft. Payne, Ala., is returning to the work of evangelistic singer and would welcome opportunities in Mississippi. He spent fifteen years in this work throughout many states.

From Col. J. T. Harris of New Orleans we learn that his sister, Mrs. J. W. Barber of Meridian, Miss., passed away Jan. 19. The sympathy of his many friends is extended to him and the family.

Southern Baptist Inter-Seminary Conference, which meets annually, was held this year at the Baptist Bible Institute in New Orleans. The Southwestern was represented by Drs. Scarborough, Conner and Howse.

Dr. B. F. Sledd for many years head of the English Department in Wake Forest College, passed away recently. In his will he is said to have provided for the chair of English Literature in the college.

Rev. Fred W. Varner, a Mississippian now pastor of Tabernacle Church, St. Louis, says that the church gets into the new building in February. The citywide evangelistic campaign begins Mar. 10, and runs through March 24.

Dr. W. H. Morgan, formerly pastor in Vicksburg, Brookhaven and Leland, has given up his work as Vice-President of Coker College, Harts-ville, S. C. Some church in Mississippi would do well to secure him for pastor.

It ought to be said in simple fairness and honesty, that no man in Mississippi has done in recent years, nor is doing today more to make and keep Mississippi a dry state, when nearly all the rest have gone wet, than Rev. N. S. Jackson, Supt. of the State Anti-Saloon League. Let's stand by him.

Mr. Roosevelt in a period of eight years has spent 58.5 per cent as much as all his predecessors combined for a period of 144.5 years. Moreover, President Roosevelt has received in taxes in these depression years 44 per cent as much as all his predecessors together have collected. Yet, he has almost doubled the national debt.—Ex.

The following words were spoken by Dr. Geo. W. Truett last July at the Baptist World Congress in Atlanta, many months before President Roosevelt appointed an ambassador to the Pope: The frank declaration is here made that any trend or suggestion of the possible establishment of diplomatic relations between the United States and the Vatican would call forth an immediate and unyielding protest from uncounted millions of our American people. Our doctrine of religious liberty in America is for all our people alike. The Pope is simply the honored head of the Roman Catholic Church, and the plea that his dominion over a few acres of ground, called the Vatican City, gives him the status of a temporal Sovereign, is essentially unreal. He has, in fact, no better title to receive governmental recognition from the United States than has the Archbishop of Canterbury, or the Moderator of the Presbyterian General Assembly of the United States, or the Presiding Bishop of the United Methodist Church of this country. We call God to witness that we do not wish to be petty and inconsistent and unchristian in our frank reference to this matter. But we do wish to be consistent and faithful to priceless principles, profoundly believing that these principles are of indispensable value, alike to Baptists, to Protestants of every name, to Catholics, to Jews, to Quakers, to everybody in our land.

Pastor S. B. Culpepper, once president of Clarke College recently retired from the pastorate of Henderson Street Church, Cleburn, Texas, and becomes pastor-emeritus, to be succeeded by the former assistant pastor, J. W. Bruner, Jr.

Rev. C. A. Alexander, pastor of Eighth Ave. Church, Meridian, has accepted a call to First Church, Santa Fe, New Mexico, and begins his work there Feb. 1. We are sorry to lose him from Mississippi, and wish him great blessing in his new field.

Pastors in and near Houston, Texas have once a week a series of lectures on the New Testament by Dr. W. T. Conner of the Ft. Worth Seminary, and on the Old Testament by Dr. E. D. Head of Houston. Dr. Conner was recently in a similar Bible Conference with preachers in and near Knoxville, Tenn. Dr. J. B. Weatherspon of the Louisville Seminary also participated.

The Baptist Standard tells of an evangelist who in twenty-two years has never asked anybody nor written to a paper indicating a desire for an engagement. He gets down on his knees and asks God for work and God has not disappointed him. This does not mean that it is wrong for a man to let it be known that he is open to engagements, but that his best chance is with the Lord.

We look forward with earnest desire to the time when the leopard and the kid shall lie down together, but not that the kid shall lie down inside the leopard. We long for peace throughout the world, but not for the peace which is made by surrender of any nation to be devoured by godless dictators. Whenever the lion shall eat grass like a lamb, then it will be time for them to lie down together.

That the concern of Baptists about the appointment of an ambassador to the Pope is justified is shown by Associated Press dispatches from Rome and Washington as follows: "While Vatican quarters observed cautiously that Taylor's mission was limited, it was felt in these circles that it might eventually prove a step toward resumption of diplomatic relations. (2) "Although diplomatic relations between the United States and the Vatican are not thus fully established, it was considered in diplomatic circles here (Washington) to be a step in that direction."

Temperance forces in Mississippi were greatly pleased and heartened last week by the announcement of Governor Johnson at a press conference that he would veto any liquor bill which the legislature might pass favoring the licensing of hard liquor. This is in line with what those close to the governor had predicted, and it is cause for much joy on the part of people who love temperance. However there has been little possibility of any bill favorable to liquor getting by the legislature. It is true that constant effort has been made by the liquor manufacturers and would be sellers to induce the legislature to favor liquor licensing. But we had been told before the legislature met that one-half of the members of the lower house had indicated their opposition to such legislation. The governor said he had heard all the arguments of the liquor men who urged that liquor license revenues would pay for text books and increase pensions to old age, but that he was unimpressed. We are grateful for this stand of the governor, and we also wish heartily to commend the attitude of the Committees on Temperance and Liquor Traffic, who are as a whole men of fine christian character and high principles.



## Sparks and Splinters

Dr. J. W. Cammack has been in Florida recuperating. He is pastor at Fork Union, Va.

It is said that while there are 245,000 Christian churches in America, there are 437,000 legalized liquor stores. Who put 'em here?

Stephens College for Women, a Baptist junior college at Columbia, Mo., suffered the loss of two class rooms by fire Sunday.

At last account the Baptist Bible Institute had received three-fourths of what was needed to meet interest payment on bonds February 1st. It is not too late to help.

Dr. E. B. Willingham, son of the late R. J. Willingham resigns the care of Delmar Church, St. Louis, to accept a call to Fifth Ave. Church, Huntington, W. Va.

So many fires in Baptist churches lately leads us to wish that our people might look up the advertisements in the Record of church insurance companies and take advantage of their offers. It may save your church a lot of money.

There were twenty-five professions of faith and thirteen additions by letter to the church at Shelbyville, Ky., resulting from a meeting in which Dr. Marvin Adams of Middlesborough preached and brother Joe Canzoneri led the singing.

It is said that 130,000 persons in the United States were refused life insurance last year because of liquor drinking. Not only do these men make a hell on earth for many families while they live, but they make it impossible for their families to benefit by insurance when they die.

Deacon Geo. W. Stigler of Lexington passed away on January 23. He was the oldest member of the Baptist church at Lexington, and one of the most useful members for many years. He recently made possible the building of a new church house in Oregon community near Lexington.

Frank A. Parker writing in the New York Sun says that to move all the Scotch whiskey imported into this country in 1938 would require a train of tank cars 16 miles long. It is sometimes used as an argument for the manufacturers of liquor that it raises the price of grain. The same argument, or a better one could be used for burning it.

The Christian Century, a weekly religious news magazine, which circulates throughout the United States has expressed repeatedly its opposition to the appointment of Myron C. Taylor as Ambassador Extraordinary to the Pope, by President Roosevelt. In the issue of January 24, The Christian Century exonerates Dr. Buttrick who represents the Federal Council of any blame in what was supposed to be his approval of the President's sending a personal representative to the Vatican. When Dr. Buttrick replied to the President he did not know that the latter had appointed an ambassador to the pope. The President had written him these words: "Realizing the spiritual kinship of all who believe in a common God, I have sent a like greeting to the pope as head of the Catholic church and to Rabbi Cyrus Adler as an outstanding leader of the Jewish faith." The Christian Century says it was not "a like greeting" that was sent to the pope, put a wholly different message, but that Dr. Buttrick did not know this. We quote a few sentences from the Century: The responsibility for having withheld that important information from them must rest entirely upon the President. He so contrived the situation as to elicit from the representatives of Protestantism an apparent approval of the establishment of official diplomatic relations with the Roman Catholic church, while he put the Protestant representatives in the position of acting before they had been informed of all that was involved. Some may see in this another instance of Mr. Roosevelt's vaunted political dexterity. To others it may look like something less creditable. The Christian Century finds itself among those who must, however reluctantly, take the latter view."

It is said that the biggest book store in the world is in Helsinki, Finland.

We are sorry to learn of the illness of Rev. S. E. McAdory of Union. He is a missionary to the Choctaws in that section of the state.

Prof. G. M. Rogers of Mississippi College is seriously ill at the Baptist Hospital in Jackson. He is also clerk of the church at Clinton, and a deacon.

All endowed schools are suffering because of decreased interest from endowment funds. Brown University is said to lose in this way \$100,000 a year. So the tuition at Brown has been raised to \$450.00. This explains in some measure the increased cost of education. The price of all living is much higher than 30 years ago.

Our sympathy is with Dr. J. B. Quin of Summit and others of the family in the death of their mother. She was 85 years of age and had long explicated the Christian graces. She was the mother of ten children, seven of whom still live. The funeral service was conducted by her pastor, Rev. Wyatt Hunter of First Church, McComb. Those who survive have a glorious heritage in her faith.

A copy of a tract by Rev. A. N. Morris on "A Rediscovery of the New Testament Church" comes to our desk. It is plainly, clearly and forcefully written, and is well worth reading and distributing. The author is pastor of Guyandotte Baptist Church, Huntington, W. Va. It can be had for 15c single copy and cheaper in quantities. Get them from the author at 221 Richmond Street, Huntington, W. Va.

The expense to the Baptist Record in soliciting renewals from our subscribers is a great tax on our financial resources. It could all be eliminated if each subscriber would notice the date on which his subscription expires and renew promptly. It would save our denomination a great deal of money. Every dollar saved in this way goes into the mission treasury. Don't wait for a statement to be sent.

The Watchman-Examiner says: There is a marked difference in the invitations of the President to Protestant and Jewish groups to confer with him at the White House and the appointment of an ambassador to the Vatican. Such an action has political connotations which we cannot ignore. It establishes political relations between our government and a religious organization, thereby violating, we believe, one of our fundamental constitutional inhibitions.

Dr. L. M. Clarke of Pelahatchie passed away recently after a long illness. He was a son of a pioneer preacher in Mississippi who was a leader among Baptists for more than half a century. He was a deacon in Pelahatchie Church, and at one time a member of the board of trustees of the Baptist Orphanage. He was a true man and loyal friend. The funeral service was conducted by Pastor E. N. Patterson, assisted by former Pastor R. L. Wallace. He leaves his widow and one daughter, and a grand-daughter.

In some states the ministers' retirement plan is delayed by the slowness of the younger men to enter. Young men feel at the time less need of preparing for old age. But they hope to live long, and if they do, it means they will probably need some help down near the end, which it will be impossible for them to get if the plan fails because of their lack of cooperation. Their coming into the plan makes it stable because of the contribution their churches make to it, also that of the denomination.

The Baptist churches of Meridian during the eight days of February 11 to 18 will enjoy the rich privilege of hearing Dr. Earle V. Pierce of Minneapolis, Minn., former president of the Northern Baptist Convention, who will speak twice daily in the First Baptist Church. Dr. Pierce is worth going miles to hear. He is a great prophet of God who understands the vital question of our Christian stewardship and is being used of God, as few other men, to get other people to understand their obligation to God. Pastors who live near enough to Meridian would be profited if they would get their people to attend. It is expected that both his morning and evening messages will be broadcast over Station WCOC, 980 kilocycles.—N. W. C.

## PROTEST TO PRESIDENT

Sent By Central Mississippi Pastors' Conference

President Franklin D. Roosevelt, Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. President:

The Central Mississippi Baptist Pastors' Conference held its monthly meeting at the First Baptist Church in Jackson, Mississippi, on Monday, January 15th. This body is composed of pastors of Baptist churches from six counties with some 150 churches comprising a membership of approximately 50,000. At this meeting it was voted unanimously that the undersigned committee write you the following in protest to the appointment of Hon. Myron C. Taylor as your personal representative to the Pope:

We join with all our Baptist people and those of other religious faiths in appreciation of the problems you face today, and we join most heartily and sympathetically in commending you for your every effort toward bringing peace to our war-torn world, but we cannot refrain from sending our protest against this method you are employing to reach this much desired goal. We do not believe that the appointment of Mr. Taylor as your representative to the Vatican will help the cause of peace in this country, but we do believe that it will hinder any united front in this direction.

We would like to feel that this step you have taken was an unconscious violation of the fundamental American principle of separation of church and state, and we hope that your recognition of such violation will be the only thing necessary for you to correct this mistake.

Your action in the appointing of this personal representative with the rank of Ambassador to the Vatican conflicts not only with the great cause of religious liberty, one of the foundation principles of our Constitution, which principle is essential to the perpetuity of our form of democratic government, but it conflicts with the religious convictions of the majority of our American people and of Baptists in particular.

There seems to us to be such a vast difference between the appointing of a representative to the Pope and the calling in of other religious leaders for conferences. There would have been no protest if you had made Mr. Taylor your representative at large to work with all groups, and not station him with one. Knowing the price our forefathers paid in this country for religious liberty, we are forced to enter our protest against every violation of it.

It is our hope that you will see your mistake in the light of the general welfare of all our American people and that you will right this mistake by recalling Mr. Taylor in the very near future.

Respectfully yours,

A. B. PIERCE, Committee

P.S.—A copy of this letter is being mailed to all senators and representatives from Mississippi.—A.B.P.

—BR—

From the church paper we learn that First Church, Columbus, is preparing to refinance its debt of \$40,000 by having the members lend the money and the church securing the debt to them by paying life insurance premiums until the cash value of the insurance equals the amount of the loan.

Rev. C. B. Hamlett has accepted a call to the church at Decatur. He has done a remarkable work at Juniper Grove and other places in the southern part of the state and will have a great opportunity at Decatur where one of the largest Junior Colleges in the state is located.

Pastor C. Z. Holland in answering the question, What is the Church Loyalty Campaign? says: It is a movement in which the people are urged to turn back to God and His church. All are urged to come to God's House at the appointed hour of worship. A period of 13 Sundays has been designated, beginning the first Sunday in February and continuing through April. The membership will be divided into groups. Definite records will be kept of every individual that attends any service during these weeks.

If I have  
tists have g  
government  
should like  
that if the  
proves this  
functions by  
sources of  
"leaders" a  
inquiring a  
what we th  
then what  
"leaders" w  
Baptists wh  
we must be  
over this p  
great if I c  
ilarly omin  
fact that un  
Board of th  
is still being  
TISTS BEL  
and loyal Ba  
the book a  
that nobody  
creedal stat  
as a Baptis  
dividual or  
to speak tr  
is to go to t  
out what the  
says, and th  
and see if h  
covenant say

In a word  
believe, and  
he must ult  
dividual Ba  
ering his bel  
a scientific  
the time, and  
statement ob  
that same th  
ultimately t  
frequently h  
which stated  
local church  
placed in th  
read since,  
members mi  
covenant sai  
any obligati  
and the vote  
scribe to the  
low members  
covenant the  
draw and jo  
congenial to  
One ventures  
book in quest  
individual Ba  
have had so  
book would n  
would appear  
they must be  
tificate, to s  
for every Ba  
wherever it r  
should be gla  
fear that is r

In the face  
cannot help b  
democracy is  
thinly disgui  
danger of ha  
bishops of oth  
with self-appo  
tion? Should  
intentioned ze  
shall, without  
own Baptist c  
of plutocracy

REM  
Last week v  
by Dr. Edgar



## BAPTISTS, BISHOPS AND DEMOCRACY Part Two

If I have myself misunderstood what we Baptists have generally believed about congregational government, and so have misjudged anyone, I should like to be corrected. I might add, however, that if the general practice of Baptists today approves this assumption of episcopal powers and functions by our "leaders," then one of the chief sources of my pride in Baptists is gone. If "leaders" are allowed, without their previously inquiring as to our views, to tell the President what we think, even when we haven't thought, then what guarantee have we that those same "leaders" will not some day turn and tell us Baptists what we must think, and finally what we must believe and do? Perhaps my concern over this presidential incident would not be so great if I did not remember other acts of similarly ominous character. Recall for example the fact that under the imprint of the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention a book is still being issued bearing the title WHAT BAPTISTS BELIEVE. The writer knows some earnest and loyal Baptists who consider both the title and the book arrogantly presumptuous. They know that nobody has any right to formulate any creedal statement and proclaim it to the world as a Baptist creed binding on any Baptist individual or church. They know that the only way to speak truthfully about what Baptists believe is to go to the local church in each case and find out what the church covenant of that local church says, and then to go to each individual member and see if he subscribes to what the local church covenant says.

In a word, if one would know what Baptists believe, and then tell others what they believe, he must ultimately get the answer of each individual Baptist member to a questionnaire covering his beliefs. Even then his report will be but a scientific statement of what they believe at the time, and it will not in any way be an official statement obligating any one of them to believe that same thing tomorrow. It is necessary to go ultimately to the individual believer because it frequently happens that the church covenant which stated the beliefs of the organizers of the local church was written generations ago and placed in the archives of the church and never read since, so that the present generation of members might not approve in toto what that covenant said—and certainly no one of them has any obligation, apart from his own conscience and the vote of his own fellow members to subscribe to the ancient covenant. Even his own fellow members cannot force him to accept the covenant they approve—he is still free to withdraw and join some other Baptist church more congenial to his ways of thinking and believing. One ventures to think that, if the author of the book in question had really tried to find out what individual Baptists and churches believe, he would have had so many shades of opinion that his book would never have seen the light. Instead he would appear to have intended to tell them what they must believe, and it is this tendency to pontificate, to speak authoritatively and officially for every Baptist, that I am apprehensive about, wherever it manifests itself in our "leaders." I should be glad to be reassured as to this, but I fear that is not possible.

In the face of disturbing acts like these, one cannot help but wonder if our treasured Baptist democracy is in danger of degenerating into a thinly disguised episcopacy. Are we not in real danger of having rejected the duly-appointed bishops of other denominations, only to wind up with self-appointed bishops in our own denomination? Should we not beware lest, in our well-intentioned zeal to keep America democratic, we shall, without anybody's intending it, allow our own Baptist democracy to topple into the abyss of plutocracy and fascism?

—Edgar H. Henderson.

### REMARKS BY THE EDITOR

Last week we gave the first part of the article by Dr. Edgar H. Henderson of Meredith College

in North Carolina on Baptists and Democracy. This week we give the second part which looks at the subject from another angle. You have seen from the above that Dr. Henderson objects to some who have undertaken to tell "What Baptists Believe." We have also seen from the previous discussion that Dr. Henderson was wholly in error in his opinion that the Committee on Public Relations in Washington, and possibly other brethren had spoken without authorization of the Southern Baptist Convention. The Convention had spoken very clearly and emphatically in its report on Religious Liberty, adopted without dissent. Evidently Dr. Henderson did not attend the Convention and did not read the minutes.

Now in the second part of his article, he introduces another matter; whether or not any man has a right to say what Baptists believe. In particular he objects to the book by this title written by Dr. O. C. S. Wallace of Baltimore, and adopted by the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention as one of the text books in its study course. The book and the title he regards as "arrogantly presumptuous."

And here the doctor makes the mistake of confusing in his own mind and confusing other minds two things that are wholly different. We must learn to "distinguish the things that differ." It is one thing to say "What Baptists Believe," and another thing to say "What Baptists Must Believe." Any man has the right to say what Baptists believe. No man has the right to say what Baptists must believe. The failure to distinguish between these things is an evidence of imperfect sight, and will do vast harm. A Catholic dignitary can tell his people what they must believe. (We don't know whether they believe it or not.) But we have never known a Baptist nor any group of Baptists to undertake to tell anybody what he must believe. We insist on calling "no man teacher, for one is your Teacher, even Christ."

But it is not only a privilege but a bounden duty for us, for every man who can, to tell people what Baptists believe. Other folks ought to know it. Many of them want to know it, and we ought to tell them what it is. There is no use for a man to go into the pulpit, nor to write for a religious paper, unless he tells people what he believes. Of course Dr. Henderson does that.

But everybody knows that there are certain distinctive things that Baptists believe. Dr. Henderson says so. He has said so in his article. He says they at least believe in democracy, and believe in it because it is an essential factor in the Christian religion. He himself does not hesitate to tell the world what Baptists believe. But he seems to object to other folks doing so. Here is a man who believes in freedom—apparently "in a Pickwickian sense." But why should Dr. Wallace not be allowed to publish a book on "What Baptists Believe"; and why should not the Sunday School Board be allowed to publish it; and why should not all our folks read it? Probably Dr. Henderson does not believe it; but Southern Baptists generally do.

And there's probably where all the trouble lies. But we cannot expect all the rest of the folks to throw away what they believe and follow any tangential brother, however brilliant in many respects. Baptists have always sought to tell the world what they believe. Witness the various confessions of faith and every Baptist pulpit and press. See also pronouncements by the Southern Baptist Convention. No effort is made to fasten our opinions on others. The only appeal is made to a reasonable interpretation of the Word of God.

—BR—

A young lady who was converted asked her pastor if she could not dance, as she felt sure that it was all right. He said, "Go, if you can feel that you can serve your Master, and if you can while there ask your partner if he is a Christian." The girl was sure she could, so went to the dance. But she found it very difficult to ask her partner about his soul. However, she felt she must keep her word, so late in the evening she said to him, "Are you a Christian?" "No," he said in a very surprised tone, "are you?" "Yes," she replied slowly. "Then what in the world are you doing here?" was his question.

## BAPTIST MEN, THEIR VALUE AND OPPORTUNITY

L. R. Scarborough, President

In thinking many times of the constructive forces among Southern Baptists for the achievement of God's will in building our churches, to the end that evangelism and missions and all the constructive work of the Kingdom should have their proper emphasis and promotion, I think quickly and long and in terms of high value and appreciation of the Baptist men of our churches. I judge there are nearly a million of them, or more. They are all naturally members of the Southern Baptist Brotherhood, the great laymen's movement, which is seeking, under the efficient leadership of Secretary Lawson H. Cooke, of Memphis, Tennessee, to mobilize these million men to do the will of Christ. All thoughtful and spiritually-minded men among us, in classifying the valuable assets of Baptists, would at once put the Baptist men in the list right at the top of these assets. Finally, they are the substantial, basic element of power in thinking, planning, praying, giving and sacrificing in the Kingdom of God. While there are other factors of our churches of tremendous value we must have our men and have them committed to the causes of Christ, evangelistic, missionary, constructive and generous. They hold the purse strings largely, and if their heart strings and rightly attuned to the will and work of Christ nothing can keep our Christ and His causes from going forward in our churches.

This is somewhat of the value of these virile, Kingdom-building men. Their opportunities are immeasurable to help in the plans of every church, in every prayer meeting, in every conference, in every program for the Kingdom of God, in every support of the pastor, in all the aggressive, forward-looking plans for bringing Christ's world-engirdling Kingdom.

The more they love Christ and His causes, the more they are trained in the finest of fine arts—soul-winning—and in the greatest achievement of Christ's Kingdom—missions—the more they will be worth to pastors and to churches and to Christ's causes. I believe that the pastors and other leaders ought to put more responsibility on the men, value them more highly, assign tasks to them of all sorts, and let them feel the deep, soul sense of their responsibility in the Kingdom of God. The more this is done the better it will be for the men and for all of us.

I would urge the pastors of our churches and the other forces, in every possible way that is right before God and man, to utilize, mobilize, spiritualize and evangelize the masculine strength of our churches, and then organize this strength to concentrate on the big task of bringing Christ to the world and the world to Christ.

—BR—

Dr. W. A. Sullivan of Natchez is one of the speakers at the State Evangelistic Conference, Alexandria, La., Feb. 6-8.

The plan of Southern Baptists to provide for old and disabled preachers probably goes as far as our people at present are able to do, but we ought in fact to make provision of some kind for all who are dependent for any cause. Let's do what we can for the preachers now and as soon as possible provide for the others. We likewise are not carrying the gospel to all nations, but we have made a beginning in carrying it to some of them.

In the report of the speech in parliament by Mr. Hore-Belisha, his closing sentence seemed quite significant. It was to the effect that it did not seem possible that there could be criticism of a war minister for democratizing the army in a nation whose army was supposed to be fighting for democracy. Further than that he did not throw any light on the matter of his being put out of the war ministry. There do seem to be some indications that the survival of caste in England is costing the country heavily. For example the bungling of Chamberlain on various occasions, and the bungling speech of Churchill to the Empire reported over the world-wide hook-up of the broadcasting stations.



# EDITORIALS

## FOUR UNIVERSALS

One of the most interesting and instructive ways of studying the Bible is to note certain verses which emphasize the words "all" and "every" by repeating them in the same sentence. For example, take the commission found in Matthew. Another is found in Second Corinthians, 9:8 "God is able to make all grace abound unto you; that ye having always all sufficiency in every thing, may abound unto every good work." There are many others.

There is a good example of Paul's use of this word all in First Corinthians, not in one verse, but placed in strategic places throughout the epistle. In the order in which they occur they are: I Cor. 10:31, "Do all things to the glory of God." Again in I Cor. 14:26, "Let all things be done unto edifying." The third is I Cor. 14:40, "Let all things be done decently and in order." The last is in I Cor. 16:14, "Let all things be done in love." Here are four universals, the way in which all things are to be done. And because Paul says that all things are to be done this way, it is certainly worth most careful attention.

"All things" means that there is no exception, nothing is left out. This is the way all things are to be done. Three of them deal with the motive which prompts all that we do. The other has to do with the particular manner of doing them. These motives have to do with our relationship, or the relationship of what we do, to God. Another has to do with the effect on men. The other has to do with the condition of our own hearts.

What we do, all that we do must have reference first of all to its effect on the light in which it puts God in the world: "do all to the glory of God." What we do will have the effect of making men think more or less of God. In the minds of men Christian people are identified with Christ. They get their estimate of Him from what they see in us. We honor Him, or we dishonor Him. The world is observing all that we do, and they are forming their estimate of the Christian religion, their conception of the character of God from what we do and the way we do it. A Christian sincerely desires to honor God, to make Him known among men, to present Him as He is, in the true light. To make Him known is to glorify Him. To misrepresent Him is to dishonor Him. What sort of conception of God do men get from you?

At the other end of the line, though inseparable from what has been said, is the other purpose: "Let all things be done unto edifying." We should never lose sight of its effect on men, in determining what we are to do. Our primary obligation is to God, as our responsibility is to Him. And yet we cannot lose sight of our obligation to men, and the effect on them of everything that we do. It is not only that we are to refrain from anything and everything which would result in their injury, but we must have a positive program of helping them. And the specific benefit which we are to seek, is "unto edifying," that is constructive, for building them up. This has primary reference to fellow Christians. And as originally written it deals with the matter of public worship. The worship services of the church should be so planned and conducted that men shall be stronger in faith, strengthened by better knowledge of God, confirmed in their experience of Him by the witness of others, by prophecy, exhortation, and everything which constitutes and promotes Christian fellowship. Our preaching should be to this end, our praying and our singing also. It should be on the level of their understanding and should inspire them to greater faith, brighter hope, purer love and more definite Christian living and service.

To be sure this purpose should not be confined to what we do in church. Any man who writes a book, or a newspaper article which tends to weaken the faith of others, instill doubt, or raise questions in the mind of a weaker broth-

er is doing not the Lord's work, but that of the devil. This will apply to private conversation as well as to public preaching.

The third passage which deals with motives is that which says, "Let all that ye do be done in love." No sort of zeal for God, no effort to help men that does not have this motive in it and behind it is worth the scratch of a pen. It is sounding brass and clanging cymbal. Everybody knows something of the beauty and glory of the thirteenth chapter of this epistle to the Corinthians. But that chapter is just the flowering into beauty of the whole teaching of the epistle. Love as expressed and set forth in that chapter is the explanation of all else in the letter. It will correct all the faults of these people rebuked in the other chapters. It is the cure for the divisions of which he speaks in the first three chapters. It will stop the immorality described in another. It will settle all the questions about things sacrificed to idols. It will prevent the jealousies over special spiritual gifts. It will remove all that confusion at and about the Lord's supper, described in chapter eleven. When love is lacking a train of evils come in. And so Paul before closing the epistle says, "Let all that ye do be done in love."

The remaining passage has to do primarily with the orderly conduct of public worship: "Let all things be done decently and in order." This injunction was made necessary by the very freedom which these Christians enjoyed, and by the abundant spiritual energy given them, and by the fact that the whole matter of conducting worship was a new business with them. Freedom is a necessity in expressing and developing Christian life. Freedom is a Christian heritage. But it has its dangers. Restraint is also an expression of Christian life. And Paul says, "Let your moderation be known to all men. James says, 'So speak ye and so do as those who are to be judged by a law of liberty.' We do not need to be bound by forms of worship. We are not slaves of conventionality. New wine cannot be put in old bottles. But the exercise of freedom does not have to destroy decorum or lessen reverence. Some measure of order in worship is a necessity. Public worship must stimulate and direct the minds and understanding of people. Emotional excitement that is unrestrained tends to disorder. 'Let all things be done decently and in order.'"

—BR—

## IMPRESSIONS OF DR. J. R. GRAVES

—O—

I knew Dr. Graves when I was a boy. My father and he were good friends, and I am sure that my father was much influenced by him. He certainly thought highly of him, and had him several times in his home at Coldwater, Mississippi, and at Germantown, Tennessee, and in Memphis, Tennessee, where both of them lived.

I have heard Dr. Graves preach on various occasions, but it was in my boyhood when I was hardly able to evaluate him and his work.

My father took Dr. Graves' paper for many years, but I was not at that time particularly interested in the kind of literature which later became my special interest. In those days the doctrinal position of Baptists was taking form and was being set before the world in a way that made Baptists what they came to be doctrinally and numerically. They were creative days, and nobody in the Southwest, in my judgement, had as much to do with determining these things as Dr. Graves. He greatly helped even people who did not agree with him, for people are often most influenced when they are unconscious of it.

Dr. Graves had two specialties. One was he was a genuine evangelist. He is not so much remembered now as an evangelist, but he loved to preach the gospel of salvation by grace. He could make it as clear as any man ever did. There are some people who think evangelistic preaching is not controversial. Such people do not seem to know Paul. The man who preaches clearly and forcefully the plan of salvation will find himself inevitably in conflict with others who preach "a different gospel." Dr. Graves did not hesitate to contend for the truth against all who differed with him about the way to be

saved. The effect of Dr. Graves' preaching was to set others to preaching, for the truth is a fire as well as a hammer. Dr. Graves delighted to preach the gospel.

But to him the gospel was not something apart from the rest of the Bible. It was all of one piece. And there was nothing in the Bible which was unimportant to him. To miss the truth in one place endangered it all. This made him a controversialist in the common sense. He did not hesitate to assail error wherever he found it. His convictions were so clear that he felt like everybody ought to see it as he did, and he believed that it was his duty to help them to see it.

He believed that the gospel was a message of freedom, that it made men free. Hence he was against overlords. This brought him into conflict with the Methodist system and all that holds with it or resembles it. He would have opposed it in Romanism, and did, or in the Episcopal church, but because Methodists were most active in these parts, his controversy was chiefly with them.

This caused the writing of the book, "The Great Iron Wheel," which was intended to demolish the system of overlords. In the same way came about the Ditzler Debate, which was put into a book.

Dr. Graves was one of the most active and energetic men we have ever had. He must have had an iron constitution, but it at last gave way and he was partially paralyzed for several years before his death. Even then he continued to preach, calling his sermons "Chair Talks" because he spoke sitting in a chair, being unable to stand.

This overflowing energy was expressed in constant preaching, beside editing a great paper and writing books and engaging in debates. Beside his books of a controversial nature he wrote at least two others which have had wide reading, and are still read today. One of these is his book on "The Parables" of Jesus. To my mind this does not show Dr. Graves to be a master expositor of the scriptures. The other book is "Seven Great Dispensations." This shows him to be a devoted student of prophecy. There are some who maintain that Dr. Graves accurately forecast events which have been fulfilled since the book was written. It has had a mighty influence on the thinking of people today.

In some places the effects of his writings have seemed to leave an unfortunate effect which Dr. Graves did not anticipate. Some devoted followers of his have had a divisive influence among Baptists, by emphasizing doctrine to the exclusion of practice. Some of these have been slow to enter into cooperative efforts in missions and education.

In some parts of the South he was hardly understood, and prejudices against him and his teaching were fostered. That was true along some parts of the Atlantic seaboard. This may have been due to differences in emphasis given to some teachings held by Baptists. It may have arisen from geographic causes. And doubtless was partly due to jealousy. In his early ministry Dr. Graves had some differences with Dr. R. B. C. Howell when both of them lived in Nashville. I do not know the whole story, but it made separation and left ill feeling in its wake.

My personal recollection of him is as a most affable gentleman, and one of marked cheerfulness and brotherliness, even after he was unable to walk, on account of partial paralysis.

—BR—

Dr. McKinley Norman who has been pastor in Texas, Oklahoma and New Mexico, becomes one of the state evangelists in Texas.

The First Baptist Church, Oklahoma City, had one of the highest hours in its history last Sunday morning when at the close of a simple Gospel message by Rev. J. W. (Bill) Marshall, Texas State B.S.U. Secretary, 25 joined the church. Most of them for baptism, some from other denominations, and as many more came forward rededicating their lives. One of the converts Sunday night was a Roman Catholic father whose son had joined the church that morning.—O. B. Messenger.



# PROGRAM FOR STATE EVANGELISTIC CONFERENCE

Clinton, Miss., February 26-29, 1940

## Monday

1:30 p. m. Music and Prayer. Henry Love will lead the song service each afternoon. M. E. Perry will lead the song service each morning and each evening.  
2:00 p. m. "What We Are Here For"—D. A. McCall.  
2:30 p. m. "Personal Testimony"—What I Have Come For.  
2:50 p. m. "The Revival of Religion Under Samuel and David"—B. A. Copass.  
3:30 p. m. "Soul-winning In The Gospel of John"—G. S. Dobbins.  
4:10 p. m. Adjourn.  
7:00 p. m. Music and Prayer.  
7:20 p. m. Sermon—Hyman Appelman.  
8:00 p. m. Song.  
8:05 p. m. "God The Father Working in Salvation"—L. R. Scarborough.  
9:00 p. m. Adjourn.

## Tuesday

8:30 a. m. Music and Prayer.  
8:50 a. m. Message—G. S. Dobbins.  
9:20 a. m. "Presenting the Plan of Salvation to a Lost Man"—T. L. Holcomb.  
9:50 a. m. Message—B. A. Copass.  
10:30 a. m. Sermon—Hyman Appelman.  
11:05 a. m. Song.  
11:15 a. m. "God the Son Working in Salvation"—L. R. Scarborough.  
12:00 a. m. Adjourn.  
2:00 p. m. Music and Prayer.  
2:15 p. m. "Letting God Use the Message"—T. L. Holcomb.  
2:45 p. m. Conference on Soul-winning—G. S. Dobbins.  
3:30 p. m. Message—B. A. Copass.  
4:00 p. m. Adjourn.  
7:00 p. m. Music and Prayer.  
7:20 p. m. Sermon—Hyman Appelman.  
8:00 p. m. Song and Prayer.  
8:10 p. m. "God the Holy Spirit Working in Salvation"—L. R. Scarborough.  
9:00 p. m. Adjourn.

## Wednesday

8:30 a. m. Music and Prayer.  
8:50 a. m. Message—G. S. Dobbins.  
9:30 a. m. Evangelistic Chalk Talks—Harry Beckman.  
10:00 a. m. Message—B. A. Copass.  
10:40 a. m. Recess.  
10:50 a. m. Message—F. H. Leavell.  
11:20 a. m. Sermon—Hyman Appelman.  
12:00 a. m. Adjourn.  
2:00 p. m. Song and Prayer.  
2:20 p. m. Conference—G. S. Dobbins.  
3:10 p. m. Prayer.  
3:20 p. m. "Mobilized for Evangelism"—J. N. Barnett.  
4:00 p. m. Adjourn.  
7:00 p. m. Song and Prayer.  
7:10 p. m. Message—F. H. Leavell.  
7:40 p. m. Message—B. A. Copass.  
8:20 p. m. Song.  
8:30 p. m. Sermon—Hyman Appelman.  
9:10 p. m. Adjourn.

## Thursday

8:30 a. m. Song and Prayer.  
8:50 a. m. "Planned Evangelism"—J. N. Barnett.  
9:20 a. m. Message—G. S. Dobbins.  
10:00 a. m. "My Experience"—J. W. Middleton.  
10:30 a. m. Message—B. A. Copass.  
11:10 a. m. Music.  
11:20 a. m. Sermon—Hyman Appelman.  
12:00 a. m. Adjourn.  
2:00 p. m. Music and Prayer.  
2:20 p. m. Enlisting the Convert—G. O. Parker.  
2:50 p. m. Training the Convert—W. L. Meadows.  
3:20 p. m. Message—J. B. Middleton.  
3:50 p. m. Prayer.  
4:00 p. m. Adjourn.

# EVANGELISTIC CONFERENCE PLANS COMPLETED

Secretary McCall announces completion of plans for the State Evangelistic Conference to be held at Clinton Feb. 26-29.

Among prominent Southern Baptists to appear on the program are:

Dr. L. R. Scarborough, President of the Southern Baptist Convention and President of Southwestern Theological Seminary; Rev. Hayman Appelman, dynamic evangelist of Texas; Dr. T. L. Holcomb, Executive Secretary of the Baptist Sunday School Board; Dr. Gaines S. Dobbins of the faculty of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary; Dr. F. H. Leavell, Southern Baptist Student Secretary; Dr. B. A. Copass of the faculty of the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary; Jasper N. Barnett, Southern Baptist Sunday School Board Specialist; Harry Beckman, evangelist of Owensboro, Ky.

Rooms in the College dormitories and in Clinton homes will be furnished free to all attending the Conference. Meals in the College cafeteria will cost only 25 cents each.

—BR—

Write to Governor Johnson and tell him of your approval of his stand on the liquor question.

Miss Fannie Traylor the secretary and Mrs. Ned Rice the president of the Mississippi W.M.U. are in Birmingham this week attending the south-wide conference of officers, planning for the work in the year ahead. Already the literature for observance of Home Mission week has been sent out from the Jackson office.

The first of the regional evangelistic conferences was held at Natchez on Monday of this week. The attendance was small but the program was helpful. On Tuesday and Wednesday the combined Bible and evangelistic conferences was held in McComb and there was a good attendance and inspirational meeting.

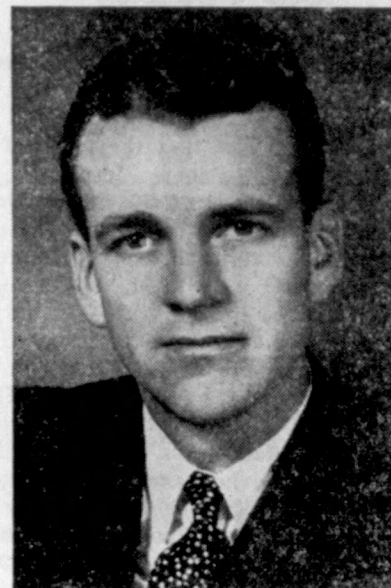
Pastor W. S. Allen says that they had planned a vigorous beginning of the new year's work at Pass Christian and Bay St. Louis, but the unusually cold weather has slowed them up. They had no snow on the coast but plenty of ice in the bayous and in Bay St. Louis. Pass Christian and Bay St. Louis churches adopted the pastor's retirement plan and are ready to go. The plan will be approved in almost every place where it is presented.

Laurel First Church: Dr. L. G. Gates is in bed with flu. Rev. E. T. Moberly preached for both services yesterday. Brother and Mrs. Fred Shofield are to be with us beginning February 1st. They are from Florida. Brother Scholfield will be an all around helper—direct our music and choir, help train our young people and assist pastor and do anything that will help the kingdom's program through our church. We got right into our Church Loyalty Program yesterday evening. 88 visitors went afield yesterday evening, though the snow and ice yet covered every thing.—P.

From some magazine the name of which we do not now recall, we recently received a tearsheet of an article giving the views of a preacher-radio speaker on "What's Happening To The Church?" Said preacher is represented as a very popular radio speaker. If our views are asked about the worth of what he says, it would not rate high. One of the easiest and cheapest ways we know of gaining notoriety is to criticize "the church." We poor frail humans are weak enough, and those in the churches have their share of frailty. But the poorest of them are those who make a business of belittling "the church." The churches are doing a thousand times more to save a lost world than all other agencies combined. Don't let them fool you on that subject. We welcome criticism of the churches by anybody who desires to make them better, but we haven't any admiration for those who criticize them to get money thereby, or to please a hostile world.

7:00 p. m. Song and Prayer.  
7:20 p. m. "Stewardship and Evangelism"—L. G. Gates.  
8:00 p. m. Song and Prayer.  
8:10 p. m. Sermon—Hyman Appelman.  
9:00 p. m. Adjourn.

# COME TO CLINTON



J. W. Middleton, our Conference Pastor Host, urges all who possibly can to attend the Evangelistic Conference at Clinton, February 26-29.

Those of us who attended the evangelistic conference last year were of common agreement that was the nearest Pentecost that we had ever been. Scores of ministers witnessed emphatically that it was the greatest Baptist meeting that we have ever had in Mississippi. I know personally and heard others repeat, "I got closer to the Lord than I have been in a long time." How our hearts were stirred and humbled as we sat together in those high hours of mountain top inspiration with some of the greatest preachers in America. I felt it was the most heart warming and challenging program I have ever experienced anywhere.

I know one group of people that look forward to February 26th with keen anticipation, the entire church at Clinton. It was a rare privilege to have you last year and we did our best to take care of you in comfort. We are expecting fully twice as many this year as we had last year and even if it crowds us good Baptists are never happier than when we have a good crowd. We want you all to come and enjoy this great conference with us. We urge you, beseech you—make your plans now to attend every service and share with us this eminently significant conference. I heard a great christian layman say the other day, "Our ministers must lead us out." Oh how we need hot hearted, quickened, awakened ministers. Let us unite our hearts and prayers, first in the purging of our own lives and then go out together and take Mississippi for Christ.

—J. W. Middleton, Pastor  
Clinton Baptist Church.

—BR—

One-half as much was spent in the United States last year for liquor as for food.

The Vatican States over which the Pope presides, occupies about one-fifth as much ground as the town of Clinton.

Recently a young lady, an American, was expelled from Italy as the head of the Y.W.C.A. Has any inquiry been made by the State Department in Washington?

Speaking of infant mortality, they say that the average life of a religious newspaper is about six and one-half years. And speaking of immortality, the work a religious paper does lives forever.

Program of Central Mississippi Pastors' Conference, meeting in First Church, Jackson, Feb. 12, 9:30 a. m., has for its general theme, "Pastoral Research and Service." Devotional by Chas. Webb; Christ's use of Illustrations, Parables and Current Events by G. P. White; Current Fiction, Is it Helpful, Harmful, Usable, by J. W. Middleton; Preacher's Attitude toward the Modern True Story Magazine, by C. Z. Holland; Bible Study: Use of Stories in the Book of Acts, by M. O. Patterson; Personal Gospel Experience, five minutes each, by L. W. Ferrell, A. B. Pierce, C. C. Jones, Webb Brame and D. W. Moulder.



## IT IS MORE BLESSED TO GIVE

James W. Middleton

"It is more blessed to give than to receive." It is significant that we are reminded that these are the words of our Lord, "remember the words of the Lord Jesus." Not that the truth of them depended on His saying them; Jesus said it because it is true. It is one of the immutable laws of life. It is grounded in the eternal nature of things. Jesus had a right to say that more than any other man that ever lived, not merely because he knew it to be the truth—with Him it was supremely a matter of experience. He had put it into the "refiners fires." From before the foundation of the world, he had received. He had received as no other man had ever received. He knew the joy and blessedness of giving. All that he had ever received he gave. "Though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, that ye through his poverty might be rich." He knew all about receiving and he knew all about giving. He put the two in the scales—the one over against the other. He weighed them in the light of Eternal Truth, and He renders verdict—"It is more blessed to give than to receive." Jesus said it because it was true, but more than that, he proved it was true. In his own life he confirmed it. More blessedness is had from giving than from receiving and in spite of the fact that this principle is directly contradictory to the whole world's conception of things, it is still true—true of all life and the whole social order.

But when a minister comes into his pulpit speaking in terms of applying the teachings of Jesus to actual world problems, to social justice or the economic order, the average member of his congregation dubs him an impracticable idealist. He is a "star gazer," a dreamer. How often have you heard the cry, "Why aren't you preachers more practical and realistic? This is a beautiful ideal but it is fancy, not fact, it is poetry, not practical." Like the early disciples, many are saying, "It is a hard saying, who can attain it?"

Whether excusing themselves for their own failure or expressing an honest conviction, many are saying that He put the standard too high for human attainment and they are doubting if He even expected it of us. They are saying, "the teachings of Jesus are idealistic and were not intended to be carried into effect or lived. They are ideals for the future kingdom of God not a practical working principle for the present world order. It is an ideal to be striven for but it was never meant to be practiced in a hard-headed, matter of fact business man's world."

I believe Jesus meant what he said. It is one of the basic laws of life. This is a law abiding universe, law abiding morally as it is physically. We do not and can never break these basic laws—what we do is smash ourselves on them.

"It is more blessed to give than to receive,"—so that is pure idealistic tosh and taffy is it? You may laugh that out of court, but one thing we all know—our greed and selfishness are certainly disastrous. Not many of us know anything about what it is to give. Certainly our present economic order knows nothing about the grace of giving. We have gone mad with greed for "receiving." What are the dominant motives that make up the warp and woof of our economic life? It is desire for acquisition, greed for gain, and grasping selfishness. Every man is in the field to get all he can for himself and himself alone. Any man who knows our modern economic life, neither will, nor can deny that it is little more than a matter of skin the other fellow before he can skin you; it is the tiger law of the tooth and claw.

Take this economic crisis we have just passed through, and there alone it is plain enough for all the world to see. Standing out like "smallpox" stands one grim fact—selfishness. Behind the natural divergencies of opinions as to what was the cause of our catastrophe many of our most capable, far seeing and broadminded business leaders are in complete agreement at least on this point. We were bent on one thing, receiving, and

receiving, more and more. We would make more money for ourselves by producing more goods to sell, and we would produce more goods to sell in order to make more money for ourselves. So, on it went, an endless cycle—more factories to sell more goods to make more money. All the time we kept forgetting that if we were going to make more money for ourselves by selling more goods, we must give the whole population more and more with which to buy. Forgetting that, in our greed for profit, we practiced mass production without a just distribution of profits, and thereby making possible mass consumption. And what is that, pray tell me, but a confirmation of our Master's words so plain that "he who runs may read"? What is that but mass getting without mass giving?

Dr. Slichter, in the Atlantic Monthly quoting from the Monthly Survey of Business, informs us that in the years 1928-30 the disbursed dividends of American corporations rose sixty-five percent. Despite the financial crisis of 1929, in 1930, the disbursement of dividends of American corporations was the largest in the nation's history. In the meantime, the wages of American working men and consumers were going down. Dividends up to sixty-five percent in two years, wages down nineteen per cent in one year, 1929-30. "Capital kept too much and labor did not have enough to buy its share of things." So says Mr. Frank Vanderlip, a banker and not a preacher. Now what is that but getting without giving?

Dr. William P. King, an eminent Methodist minister and editor of the Nashville Christian Advocate, in his recent book, "Right and Wrong in an Age of Confusion," tells us that "in 1929 504 persons reported incomes totaling \$1,185,000,000, an amount \$200,000,000 in excess of the market value of the wheat and cotton crops of that year, that represented the investment and labors of 2,300,000 wheat and cotton growers.

"For the year 1929, ten persons reported income of \$89,000,000—an average of almost nine millions per year each. One tenth of one percent of the population of the United States received practically as much as forty-two percent of the people on the lower economic levels."

Dr. King quotes Berle and Means in their profound study, "The Modern Corporation and Private Prosperity," which shows that more than one third of the entire business wealth of the nation is owned by two hundred giant corporations controlled by two thousand directors. All of which means simply, that our whole economic structure is dominated by monumental selfishness. What is that but greed "getting" on the wholesale and "giving" at a minimum?

In 1929, 36,000 families of the United States had an aggregate income equal to the aggregate incomes of 11,500,000 families. President Roosevelt stated in his second inaugural address that millions of Americans are denied education, and that one third of the nation are ill-housed, ill-clad, and undernourished. All of that in our democratic America, a land of equal opportunities for all and special privileges for none. And so, at last, what we tried to keep we lost. We tried to "get" and "get" and "get" without adequately sharing and the result was one of the worst economic disasters the world has ever known. There are none so blind as those who will not see. After all that, we are still saying the teachings of Jesus do not matter? We have overthrown them but we have not broken them. We never break them, we break ourselves on them.

Giving brings more blessedness than receiving and to deny that is to throw dynamite under the very mud sills of civilization. Old Russia would not learn that beforehand, but she had to learn it afterward in catastrophe, and disaster. It was that that made possible the horrors of revolution and the terrors of a Godless communism. I am not so afraid of foreign "isms" in our America, but I am terrified at the seething volcano of selfishness and greed at the heart of our national life. Forebodings, rumblings and discerned already in the uneasy mutterings and social restlessness throughout the nation. If our American ideals and civilization ever crumble, it

## Pastoral Problems

By Norman W. Cox

## "False Alarms"

The average pastor needs to cultivate the habit of not getting excited until he is sure he has something to be excited about. There are many false alarms. Here are a couple of brief examples.

My telephone rang one day and a woman, who usually could be depended upon to not exaggerate things, excitedly told me to hurry to a certain home where a woman, who was a member of our church, was said to be dying. I had seen her the day before and naturally was very much surprised. I hurriedly got in my car and drove to the home. When I arrived I noted no signs about the place that would indicate that anyone was in a serious condition, let alone dying there. I rang the bell and the cook finally slowly came shuffling to the door, wiping her wet hands on her apron, looking as though she was annoyed by being interrupted.

I said, "I just heard that Mrs. 'C' was very sick."

The cook answered: "Yassuh, she aint feeling good today. She has got a sick headache, and I don't spects she wants to see nobody."

Another time another good member of my church, who usually keeps things pretty straight, told me that a certain woman member had become violently angry with me about something and was on the warpath. I could not imagine what the supposedly angry member was mad about, as I knew nothing to cause her to be in such an attitude toward me. At prayer meeting that night the member who was supposed to be so grievously offended, shook hands with me as she passed out the door and smiled warmly as she said, "I greatly enjoyed your message to-night, and I am sure that no church ever had a finer pastor than ours."

We would do well not to be alarmed by reports until we know, from our own knowledge, the truth.

We would also do well not to take too seriously the nice things that are said to us about ourselves.

—BR—

We need in Washington some of the stuff of which Theodore Roosevelt was made. When he visited Rome the Pope sent him word that he would not be received at the vatican if he visited the King of Italy before he visited the Pope. Mr. Roosevelt visited the King of Italy and ignored the Pope.

In a personal letter recently received we find the opinion expressed that the president was within his rights if he chose to send an ambassador to the pope because he is the head of a sovereign state. There are two answers to this: The President has no right to send an ambassador to any state until he is authorized by congress to do so. And the President did not send an ambassador to a sovereign state, but to the pope as head of the Catholic church. This is proved by his saying that the pope was appealed to in the same way as were the head of the Federal Council of Churches in America and a representative Jewish rabbi. The letter referred to also says that the United States sent an ambassador to Rumania when the prime minister was head also of the Rumanian Orthodox church. But our ambassador was not sent to the prime minister but to the king of Rumania. And if our ambassador had been sent to the prime minister it would not have been as head of the Orthodox church, any more than an ambassador to Great Britain would have been sent to King George as head of the church of England.

will come from within and the first break will come right here—inordinate selfishness. And long after our invincible empire lies among the ruins of the ages, our Lord's words will still stand. "It is more blessed to give than to receive."



# Mississippi Baptists

Your Secretary Says:

"LOVE NEVER FAILS," I Cor. 13:8b

## Worship \* Serve \* Give

"And daily in the temple, and in every house, they ceased not to teach and preach Jesus Christ." Acts 5:42.

## Win Someone to Him!

One year ago we made to you the following statement:

"I pledge my Lord and you, my love for every Mississippi Baptist—and others. I have never been pastor to one faction or group within the church, to the exclusion of others. I will be secretary to all our people.

I pledge my Lord and you, that I will continue to go after lost people for Christ. I believe our headquarters office should be a most spiritual and evangelistic place. All our institutions, field workers, periodicals, pastors, deacons, leaders, men, women, boys and girls in Christ should be on fire with a holy zeal going after lost people to the ends of the earth. We may be when we start at home.

I pledge my Lord and you to answer calls from all my brethren as I am able. I will be in the field most of the time.

I pledge my Lord and you to play the game, and play it fairly, my ideal—the Golden Rule. Matthew 7:12.

I pledge loyalty to every institution dear to our people.

I pledge an honest and economic administration of my Lord's money. This purpose includes payment of debts in His Name. In two years of special government social service during the depression, I administered almost a half million dollars and was held personally accountable for every penny of it. I shall be faithful again.

I pledge faithfulness to the Word of God.

I pledge to give myself to building His Church. Matt. 16:18. Eph. 5:25.

I pledge to help as I may in preaching the Gospel of His Kingdom. Matt. 4:17. Matt. 6:33.

I pledge to pray for you and with you, in your victories, and in your defeats, in your joys and in your sorrows.

Numbers 6:24-26."

We honestly tried to serve the Lord and you during the year. We made some mistakes. We could do better if we could go over it again. That year is gone. We try to do better now. Pray for us. Thanks for your cooperation in the things of Christ.

## II

The following letter is self-explanatory: "Dr. R. B. Gunter, Jackson, Mississippi—Dear Dr. Gunter: In coming to the close of a year's service in this position, please be assured of the fact that I appreciate you more than ever.

To me, you have always been one of the sanest, safest, and most successful men I knew. What a debt of gratitude Mississippi Baptists owe you.

How you led us as you did during depression and all other days is marvelous to me.

May 1940 bring to you and yours the enrichment in things that abide. John 15. Psalm 121. Numbers 6:24-26."

We believe in expressing appreciation to the living.

## III

Doxology! We believe that is more than a speck in a formal service. It is a song in the heart!

The bookkeeper placed these figures on our desk recently:

## RECEIPTS

Year	Budget	Designated	5 M	Total
1939	\$109,021.05	\$79,056.55	\$18,817.71	\$216,895.31
1938	101,534.55	70,705.47	21,346.89	193,586.91
Gain	7,486.50	8,351.08	2,529.19*	13,308.40
			*Loss	

Who made this total gain of \$13,308.40? The Hand of the Lord was in it all! W. M. U. did it! Sunday School did it! Training Union did it! B. S. U. did it! Baptist Record did it! Our 6 institutions did it! Our evangelists did it! Our field men did it! Faithful pastors did it! Loyal churches did it! Mississippi Baptists did it! Doxology!

## IV

Mississippi Baptist Evangelistic Conference, Clinton, February 26-29, 1940. Out-of-State speakers: L. R. Scarborough, Hyman Appelman, G. S. Dobbins, B. A. Copass, T. L. Holcomb, F. H. Leavell, J. N. Barnette, Harry Beckman.

A great feast of good things.

Rooms free to guests!

Meals 75c a day to guests!

Mississippi Baptists are more and more taking Jesus seriously as He says to them, "Follow me and I will make you fishers of men." Matthew 4:17.

## V

Below we give proof of the fact that Mississippi Baptists are reaching more people than ever before through organized channels presenting the Word of God.

## SOME ENCOURAGING FACTS

	1937	1938	1939
1. Sunday school enrollment gain .....	38,351	157,144	In'c'plete
2. Increase in number of S. S. officers and teachers .....	3,835	15,714	In'c'plete
3. No. baptisms reported ..	204,567	256,814	In'c'plete
4. Increase in circulation of S. S. lesson periodicals in first quarter of 1939 over first quarter 1937....			409,383
5. Cradle Roll departments reported organized ..	No record	2,120	1,487
6. Extension depts. reported started .....	152	179	1,004
7. New S. S. reported organized ..	1,258	1,685	1,687
8. Number of Vacation Bible schools reported held .....	2,520	3,548	4,350
9. No. churches reporting one or more training schools .....	5,959	6,501	6,500
10. Number training awards ..	129,607	167,403	169,835
11. Number standard S's. ..	770	921	1,089
12. No. church libraries reported in use .....	129	258	516

## SOME EXPANSION OPPORTUNITIES

25,000 additional communities need Baptist Sunday schools.

25,000,000 white people in the South not enrolled in any Sunday school.

2,000,000 or more Southern Baptist church members not enrolled in any Sunday school.

15,000,000 white people in the South above nine years of age are unsaved.

20,000 Sunday schools need more classes.

100,000 classes need more groups.

18,000 Baptist churches did not report a training school for the Sunday school officers and teachers in 1939.

250,000 Baptist Sunday school officers and teachers did not study even one book in the Training Course for Sunday School Workers during 1939.

250,000 Baptist Sunday school class officers did not study the department books for the phase of work they represent during 1939.

14,000 Baptist Sunday schools do not yet have a Cradle Roll department.

22,000 Baptist Sunday schools do not have an Extension department.

20,000 Baptist churches did not have a Vacation Bible school in 1939.

18,000 Baptist church buildings need to be enlarged.

7,800,000 boys and girls in South, up to 12 years, not in any Sunday school.

# NOW CLUB

DOUBLING THE FIVE THOUSAND CLUB

A DEBTLESS DENOMINATION BEFORE 1945

## I

"Somebody scoffed: 'Oh, you'll never do that; At least, no one ever has done it.' But he took off his coat and he took off his hat, And the first thing we knew he'd begun it; With the lift of his chin, and a bit of a grin, Without any doubting or quiddit; He started to sing as he tackled the thing That couldn't be done, and he did it!"

## II

The "Doubling the Five Thousand Club," Movement has been given a good response in various sections of the state. The people are for Christian Education with emphasis on "Christian." Our institutions are worthy! Our people generally favour "a debtless denomination by or before 1945," thus saving \$300,000 in interest, losing monies for other causes, etc.

## III

We list this week: First, Certificate No. 53 for \$36 (Fagan, field worker), taken by a member of Fifth Avenue Baptist Church, Hattiesburg; Certificates, No. 54 for \$36, No. 55 for \$36, No. 52 for \$36 and No. 51 for \$36 all by the same.

Next we list: Certificates No. 151 for \$36 (Farr, field worker), taken by a member of Ackerman Baptist church; No. 30 for \$100; No. 28 for \$100; No. 27 for \$100, and No. 26 for \$100 all by same.

Next: Certificate No. 31 for \$100 (Farr, field worker), by members of Starkville church.

Again, Certificate No. 109 for \$36 (McLaurin, field worker), by members of Pocahontas church.

Again, Certificates Nos. 55, 56, 57 at \$100 each, total \$300 (McLaurin, field worker), by members of Clinton church; and No. 108 for \$36 by same.

Again, Certificates No. 103 for \$36 (McLaurin, field worker), by member of Calvary church in Jackson, and No. 105 for \$36 by same.

Again, Certificates No. 104 for \$36 (McLaurin, field worker), by member of First Church, Jackson; No. 102 for \$36, No. 106 for \$36, and No. 107 for \$36 all by same.

Others: Certificates, Nos. 61 for \$100; No. 58 for \$100; No. 59 for \$100; No. 60 for \$100—members of First Church, Jackson (McLaurin, field worker).

More: Certificates, No. 62 for \$36, and No. 63 for \$36 by members of Crystal Springs church (Fagan, field worker).

Yet others: Certificates, No. 61 for \$36; No. 3 for \$100; No. 2 for \$100; No. 1 for \$100 by members of Hazlehurst church (Fagan, field worker).

And others: Certificates, No. 65 for \$36, and No. 60 for \$36 by members of Fifth Avenue—Hattiesburg (Fagan, field worker).

And still others: Certificates, No. 59 for \$36; No. 57 for \$36, and No. 58 for \$36 by members of Port Gibson church (Fagan, field worker).

Yet they come: Certificates, No. 68 for \$36; No. 25 for \$100; No. 24 for \$100; No. 67 for \$36; No. 66 for \$36 by members of Wiggins church (Fagan, field worker).

And, Certificate No. 64 for \$36 by member Brookhaven church (Fagan, field worker).

## BR

Two important pastorates in the state are now filled by good men. Rev. Niles Puckett becomes pastor at Brooksville. His home has been at Columbus, and he is now finishing his work at the Louisville Seminary. Rev. Haynes Brinkley becomes pastor at Boyle. He comes from Parkin, Ark. We wish them all joy in the work.

Rev. A. W. Talbert has served Tangipahoa Church in Pike County Association for two years for one Sunday in the month. They have now called him for two Sundays. In the two years they have had 96 additions, 47 by baptism. They have also built a two story annex with seven rooms. They face the new year with confident hope.



# Mississippi Woman's Missionary Union

## OUR STATE OFFICERS

Recording Secretary—Mrs. D. C. Simmons, Jackson, Miss.  
Personal Service—Mrs. A. L. Goodrich, Clinton, Miss.  
Vice-President—Mrs. G. W. Riley, Clinton, Miss.

President—Mrs. Ned Rice, Charleston, Miss.  
Executive Secretary—Miss Fannie Traylor  
Young People's Secty.—Miss Edwina Robinson  
Mission Study—Mrs. W. A. Bell, Jackson, Miss.

Stewardship—Mrs. J. H. Street, 1412 5th St., Laurel, Miss.  
Margaret Fund Trustee—Mrs. D. M. Nelson, Clinton, Miss.  
Training School Trustee—Mrs. J. L. Johnson, Jackson, Miss.

## Sunbeam Focus Week—February 4-10

Have you read advertisements of supplies for children with casual or consecrated interest? Has your imagination taken those toiletries and made the dirty child sweet and clean? Has it taken each piece of wardrobe and made the cold, poorly clad child warm, comfortable, and beautiful to look at? Have those foods listed given to him the glow of health? Do you see even the most anemic becoming rosy-cheeked and strong in body?

If such common advertisements have stimulated your imagination, the following should stimulate it more: Sunbeam Band Focus Week, Feb. 4-10. It brings to the front the vital needs of children from four to nine years around the world.

All children from four to nine are invited and urged to join or to form a Sunbeam Band. If you have a Sunbeam Band in your church you may enlist other children in the following ways:

Have the W.M.S. Circle that fosters the Sunbeams give a Valentine party for all the Sunbeams' mothers and the mothers of prospective Sunbeams. At a previous Sunbeam meeting have each little Sunbeam make a Valentine for his mother. The counselor will make or ask G.A.'s to make additional ones for the other mothers. Have these presented by a child in a clever costume, taking them out of an old-fashioned Valentine Box.

Perhaps the following program can be adapted to suit your gathering:

1. A Sunbeam program presented by the Sunbeams from World Comrades.
2. A Sweetheart Hunt.

Have them hunt for hidden hearts cut from red cardboard on which has been written the name and field of a Home Missionary who will be their sweetheart to pray for especially during February. Urge each one to write to his missionary or to have his parent to write for him. This will be a good preparation for the Home Mission Week of Prayer. You will find the missionaries listed in Home Missions or "Meet Our Home Missionaries"—The Home Mission Album.

3. Act out for mothers some story from World Comrades or from a study book the Sunbeams have enjoyed.

4. Prepare a "Lover's Pie" in the following way: Cover a flat kettle or dishpan with red and white crepe paper having red and white cords hanging from beneath the lid down the sides. On the end of each cord tie a peppermint stick of candy on which is tagged—"Let's stick together in Sunbeam Band."

You may add other games and songs. Plan all your games so that the mothers can join in too. Serve ice cream cones with heart shaped cookies.

Follow up the party by a visit into the home of each prospective Sunbeam's mother. Take a copy of World Comrades and point out its valuable features to her. (Be sure that the persons who do this are already sold on the magazine.) Leave the magazine with her and have a group of Y.W.A. girls go later and solicit her subscription.

Begin Focus Week with "Sunbeam Sunday" in the Beginners and Primary Departments. Make a list of all your prospects from 4-9 and put forth a special effort to enlist every child in Sunday School.

On one afternoon the Sunbeam Leader may invite the Sunbeams to her home for a birthday party. When they come they will find that she

is celebrating the birthdays of the Home Missionaries who are supported by the Annie W. Armstrong Offering. She will carry out the whole scheme of an attractive birthday party with birthday cake and all; but through it teach simple facts about these missionaries. Or she may use a Home Mission Study Book celebrating the birthdays of the missionaries in that book.

Give a party in honor of Wan Chuan. Play Chinese games and climax it with an explanation of Wan Chuan impressing upon each officer his responsibility. Make miniature Wan Chuans uncolored (trace him out of the Year Book) on small cards on which is written—"Let's give Wan Chuan local color." Ask each one to keep his and color as the different points are attained during the year.

Perhaps you haven't started on your Stewardship Plans for this year yet. If not, why not teach the Scripture Verses to the Sunbeams and take them to see shut-ins and let them give them there. It will be an incentive for them, and the shut-ins will be inspired and refreshed.

Another afternoon, gather to begin a mission study book such as World Friendship Room, or Five Times Ten.

As Sunbeam Band leader study the Sunbeam Manual, How to Shine. Read Telling You How (price 35c) and The Way of Missionary Education (price 50c). Know your work well and work zealously and prayerfully. See the suggestions that your state young people's leader will send and then adapt the ones that meet your need. Just be sure that every Sunbeam is within the light of your "focusing."—World Comrades.

### WHAT CAN SUNBEAMS DO?

Sunbeams can go into the dark places where nothing else can reach. Have you ever noticed how their tiny rays, though often only getting in through cracks or small openings bring cheer and brightness to a gloomy spot? Girls and boys in the Sunbeam Band can sometimes take the light of Jesus into hearts which others can not reach. Personal Service means Presenting the Savior. Who better can do this than a little child?

Recently a girl about eight years of age united with the church and upon being questioned as to her knowledge of Christ as Savior said, "My little playmate, Sue, led me to Christ." She was a member of the Sunbeam Band. Dr. J. F. Plainfield, an outstanding missionary to the Italians in the south, testifies to the prayer of a little child having touched his heart before he became a Christian when the words and prayers of older people had not affected him. In Constraining Love Mrs. McMurry tells the sweet story of the influence of Effie Roe Maddox as a child in bringing a "hardened sinner" in her community to Christ. Let us not underestimate the service of little children in definite soul-winning. Let us also seek to make plain in every Sunbeam Band meeting God's simple plan of salvation.

Why not plan a personal service calendar for the year by pasting on colored sheets of construction paper, pictures representative of the personal service month by month? Under the pictures write Scripture verses that teach personal service, such as "He went about doing good," "Christ came not to be ministered unto but to minister," etc. Let the children learn the verses month by month as the leaves of the calendar are turned. The leader should keep in

mind that personal service is meeting the needs in one's own community. Therefore it is important that she first know the needs and select those which the Sunbeam Band can help in meeting. The W.M.S. personal service chairman should be able to give suggestions, also the pastor, school teachers, doctors, welfare workers. Such needs as discovered can be arranged in the suggested calendar given below and when emergencies arise during the year these should be substituted or cared for in addition to the planned activities.

January—The cold weather will suggest doing something for a family or child whose bodily needs may not have been met. Provide food, clothing or fuel with each Sunbeam bringing a stick or bundle of wood, a piece or bag of coal. It may be wise to let these be delivered by some older person in the church. If so, the children may visit the home, make friends, sing songs, take story books, tell Bible verses.

February—Make Valentines for aged or lonely in the church or sick Sunbeam members.

March—Distribute leaflets on alcohol education in homes of church members. These may be obtained inexpensively from National W.C.T.U. Evanston, Ill.

April—Make scrapbooks for children's war in hospital or day-nursery or for crippled children.

May—Visit girls and boys unenlisted in Sunday school or church activities in the interest of attendance at Sunbeam Band and Daily Vacation Bible School.

June—Gather good literature, magazines, tracts and Gospels to give to Negro girls and boys.

July—Gather flowers to distribute among sick or shut-ins.

August—Give a program of songs, stories, or games, etc., at the county farm or old people's home.

September—Visit new comers or unenlisted girls and boys inviting them to church, to Sunday school, and Sunbeam Band.

October—Visit foreigners in community, distributing tracts or Gospels in their language, inviting them to church, Sunday school, Sunbeam Band.

November—Plan Thanksgiving basket for poor or make Thanksgiving booklets for shut-ins or hospitals.

December—Sing Christmas carols for old people or shut-ins; bring toys for those who will not have any at Christmas otherwise.

—BR—

The First Baptist Church, Meridian, during the year 1939 received 220 additions to its membership. Of this number 82 were baptized. The church has entered 1940 with largest hopes.—C.

Dr. J. E. Dillard says that since the Hundred Thousand Club was organized, "it has paid \$1,100,000 on debts of the institutions of the Southern Baptist Convention; that amount stopped \$60,000 which was being paid out on interest and that was enough to support seventy-five missionaries. The club created confidence on the part of the creditors of the Convention so that all of its paper is now worth one hundred cents on the dollar. In the meantime, the club is still bringing in gifts at the rate of about \$200,000 annually. January and February are the months in which special emphasis is being laid on the club and many, many thousands of our people ought to join it."



# The Baptist Record

Published every Thursday by the  
Mississippi Baptist Convention  
Board

Baptist Building  
Jackson, Mississippi  
D. A. McCALL, Cor. Secretary  
P. I. LIPSEY, Editor  
A. L. GOODRICH, Cir. Manager  
SUBSCRIPTION: \$1.50 a year, payable in  
advance.

Entered as second-class matter, April 4,  
1918, at the Post Office at Jackson, Mis-  
sissippi, under the Act of October 3, 1911.

RENEW PROMPTLY: Please send in  
your renewal promptly and give your old  
address as well as the new when writing us  
for a change. If you do not send in your  
renewal your name will be dropped from  
the list.  
Obituary notices, whether direct or in the  
form of resolutions of 100 words, and mar-  
riage notices of 25 words inserted free. All  
over these amounts will cost one cent a  
word, which must accompany the notice.

Our Advertising Department is in charge  
of Jacobs List, Inc., Clinton, S. C. Soli-  
citing Offices: E. L. Gould, Manager, New  
York Office, 40 Worth Street, New York,  
N. Y.; J. Archie Willis, 162 E. Ohio Street,  
Chicago, Ill.; Geo. F. Dillon and Julian A.  
Kirk, 500 National Fidelity Life Building,  
Kansas City, Mo.; G. H. Ligon, 421 Bilt-  
more Ave., Asheville, N. C.; J. W. Ligon,  
729 Park Drive, N. E., Atlanta, Ga.

## "A DANGEROUS DOCTRINE"

There are those who honestly be-  
lieve that it is dangerous to teach  
that men are justified freely by  
the grace of God, through faith in  
Christ, based upon redemption  
through His blood; who died for  
our sins, and was raised again from  
the dead for our justification; and  
that this justification is instantane-  
ous, and in connection with the new  
birth; and that when once justified  
by faith, the soul is justified from  
all sin: past sins, present sins and  
future sins; and just as safe, from  
that moment, throughout eternity,  
as God Himself is; and shall never  
perish by any means or for any  
cause.

Those who believe that this doc-  
trine of grace is dangerous will  
throw up their hands with horror  
and say: "Do you believe God would  
save a man in his sins, with a per-  
mit to continue to sin?" And with  
a wave of disgust they will turn  
from you and say: "That is a dan-  
gerous doctrine, I do not want my  
children to hear it."

The doctrine of salvation wholly  
of grace, through faith alone in  
Christ is either the truth or it is  
a lie. If it is the truth (and it is)  
then making remarks about how  
dangerous it is does not affect the  
truthfulness of it one iota.

But if it is not the truth then  
the Bible is not trustworthy, and  
if that is true, then we do not have  
any sin to worry about. But to set  
up a doctrine that salvation is part-  
ly by grace and partly by works—  
or that our salvation depends—at  
least in part—on the way we live  
is unscriptural. For the Bible plain-  
ly teaches that if it be of grace,  
then it is no more of works; other-  
wise grace is no more grace. But  
if it be of works, then it is no more  
of grace; otherwise work is no  
more work.

For grace means the unmerited  
favor of God.  
The fact is that the doctrine of  
salvation by works is dangerous,  
for the simple reason that it is a  
lie, originated by the devil to keep  
men from believing God. And what  
could be any more dangerous than  
that?  
Let's suppose for the sake of

REV. J. H. KYZAR



Rev. J. H. Kyzar, who recently  
went from Drew to the pastorate  
of the First Baptist Church of  
Laurens, S. C., is carrying on in  
the same fine way that he did in  
Mississippi.

A recent bulletin indicates that  
additions have been received at  
practically every service. An un-  
usually good report was made to  
the Laurens Association showing a  
membership of 678, 107 additions,  
receipts of \$17,151.54; \$4,538.83 for  
missions and benevolence.

During the five and one-half  
years brother Kyzar was at Drew  
there were 362 additions; an aver-  
age of 25% of contributions going  
to missions and benevolence, the  
church and pastorium were recon-  
ditioned and a Hammond Electric  
Organ purchased.

argument that a man does enter  
into gross sin, after he has been  
saved—and he could do it—would  
that affect his salvation in the  
least? If so then Christ died in  
vain, and we are all yet in our  
sins, and there is no hope for the  
human race. But thank God, when  
we are saved by grace we are born  
of God and made to be partakers  
of His nature, and the Holy Spirit  
dwells in us which makes us love  
truth and righteousness and hate  
sin. Now in conclusion let me say  
this: Every body to their own no-  
tion; but if I had a key to a vault  
that contained a million dollars of  
my own money; and it became nec-  
essary for me to trust this key with  
another man; I had rather risk the  
key with a man that had been sav-  
ed by grace and justified by faith,  
and knew that he was saved and safe  
forever and would never perish for  
any cause, than to risk it with a  
man that believed that he would be  
sent to hell for stealing this million  
dollars.

J. E. Heath

Winona, Miss.

## S. S. ATTENDANCE JAN. 28

Jackson, First Church	548
Jackson, Southside Church	51
Crystal Springs Church	122
West Laurel Church	350
Van Winkle Church	37
Bethlehem, Jones Co.	65

Small Boy—Dad, what is meant  
by "the bone of contention?"  
Dad—The jawbone, my boy.

MAGEE

Magee Baptist Church surprised  
Pastor G. O. Parker and wife Sun-  
day, Dec. 24, 1939.

At the morning service the dea-  
cons recommended to the church a  
three hundred dollar raise in pas-  
tor's salary which was heartily and  
unanimously voted.

The evening service was under  
the capable leadership of Mrs. D.  
C. Ware, musical director of the  
church, and consisted of sacred in-  
strumental music and Christmas  
carols, etc. At the close of this serv-  
ice Mrs. X. O. Steele, in her charm-  
ing and pleasing manner, expressed  
to Mrs. Parker the appreciation and  
confidence of the women of the  
church and community. Then, for  
the women of the church she pre-  
sented her with a beautiful ninety-  
one piece China set as an expression  
of love and appreciation.

Then Mr. J. H. Mangum, in his  
forceful way, expressed to broth-  
er Parker the appreciation of the  
church for his faithful preaching  
and work, and presented him with  
one hundred dollars as a gift from  
the church.

Brother and Mrs. Parker were  
completely surprised, but in their  
calm, humble manner, were adequate  
to the occasion, and received the  
gifts with suppressed emotions and  
expressed in very fitting words,  
their deep appreciation for the gifts  
but said that the thoughts, loyalty,  
and love of a faithful, devoted mem-  
bership meant even more than the  
gifts.

Church, pastor and wife are  
happy.—A. W. D.

B.T.U. ATTENDANCE JAN. 28	
Jackson, First Church	169
Jackson, Southside Church	57
Jackson, Van Winkle Church	27
Crystal Springs Church	52
West Laurel Church	04

SUBSCRIBE TO THE BAPTIST  
RECORD.

## OUR PAPER and SIX MAGAZINES AT BARGAIN PRICES

BIG ECONOMY OFFER	
Woman's Home Comp. ....12 issues	Country Home .....12 issues
Pathfinder .....52 issues	Farm Jour.-Farm. Wife, 12 issues
Am. Poultry Journal .....12 issues	Progressive Farmer .....24 issues
BAPTIST RECORD .....52 issues	
Value, \$4.75—You Save \$2.25	
ALL SEVEN FOR	\$2.50

GIANT VALUE OFFER	
McCall's Magazine .....12 issues	Country Home .....12 issues
Woman's Home Comp. ....12 issues	Woman's World .....12 issues
Am. Boy or Am. Girl .....12 issues	Southern Agriculturist .....12 issues
BAPTIST RECORD .....52 issues	
Value, \$6.00—You Save \$3.00	
ALL SEVEN FOR ONLY	\$3.00

YOU WILL GET ALL SEVEN publications, and if you are already a sub-  
scriber to ANY of these SEVEN publications, your present subscription will  
be extended. Mail or bring the coupon below to our office AT ONCE, and  
you will receive THE SIX BIG MAGAZINES, and THIS PAPER each week.  
ORDER AT ONCE because we may soon have to withdraw this offer.

USE THIS COUPON AND SAVE — — — —  
Gentlemen:  
Here is \$. Send me a year's subscription to THE BAPTIST  
RECORD with the magazine offer I have checked.  
( ) BIG ECONOMY OFFER ( ) GIANT VALUE OFFER

My Name is \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_

GREETINGS FROM L. T. GREER

Since I moved to Texas I am en-  
joying the Record more than I ever  
did before. It seems like a letter  
from home. We came to Greggton  
the 19th of October, 1939, and are  
enjoying the work here very much.  
We have a good church and some  
very fine people to work with. I  
have never seen a church where  
people are any more willing to work  
than the people here.

It was my happy privilege to  
work with the good people at Boyle,  
Mississippi for more than five years.  
God was good to us and blessed our  
work there. We learned to love the  
people and it was heart breaking  
to leave them, but the Lord's will  
must be done.—L. T. Greer.

SUBSCRIBE TO THE BAPTIST  
RECORD.

**Communion Ware of Quality**  
Best Materials  
FINEST  
WORKMANSHIP  
Lowest Prices. Send for Illustrated Catalog  
INDIVIDUAL COMMUNION SERVICE CO.  
Dept. E 1701-1703 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

## Way "Build-up" Helps Will Interest Women

The cause of a woman's periodic  
suffering from headache, irritabil-  
ity, cramp-like pain, may be func-  
tional dysmenorrhea due to a mal-  
nutrition, a condition that is often  
helped by CARDUI.

Principal way CARDUI helps is  
by stimulating appetite and the flow  
of gastric juices. Thus it may aid  
digestion; help build up a woman's  
strength, energy and nerve-force;  
so increase physical resistance to  
periodic discomfort.

It also helps reduce periodic dis-  
tress for many who take it a few  
days before and during "the time."  
Your confidence in CARDUI is in-  
vited by its 50 years of popularity.



## Sunday School Lesson

By L. BRACEY CAMPBELL

Lesson for February 4

LIFE AS A SACRED TRUST

Bible Texts: Gen. 1:27-31; I Cor. 6:19-20; II Cor. 6:16-7:1.

—o—

Introduction: We consider in barest outline the sanctity of human life in the light of our creation, in the image of God, of our redemption through Christ of the indwelling of the believer by the Holy Spirit.

I. Man Created. Gen. 1:27-31.

The only source whence we can learn man is the Bible. All extra-Biblical accounts of the origin of man are guesses, suppositions, which make of man the pilgrim of a day, food of the worm and brother of the clay—no more.

What man does not get a lift of the heart from the Bible assertion that God created man in His own image? The account of the creation of man in the first two chapters of Genesis agrees better with all the facts and with Christian experience than any other ever given. The Bible account involves plan, purpose, destined end. Man was made to serve a noble end, to fulfill the plan of a perfect God. Man, therefore, is of account, being of noble origin, of royal kinship, of lofty destiny.

II. The Christian's Body a Temple. II Cor. 6:19-20.

The body of the believer is sacred to the occupancy of the Holy Spirit. How diligently ought the believer then to keep his body clean and fit for its holy occupant! All misuse of it, unworthy of the Holy Spirit and, therefore, displeasing to Him, how unthinkable wicked!

When I was a boy, the older citizens of Clinton used to recall as an example of profanation the fact that a northern general stabled his horses in the lower chapel of Mississippi College.

Every Orthodox Jew recalls with horror the fact that a conqueror of his ancestors offered swine in sacrifice upon the altar of burn sacrifice outside the temple in Jerusalem.

How much greater a profanation is it to devote to vulgar uses a body which is the dwelling place of the Holy Spirit!

III. The Function of the Believer's Body Commands of the Believer the Devotion of the Body to a Course of Separation to the Service of God. II Cor. 6:16-1:17.

The believer's separation from the world involves his separation unto God. This separation means a separation from applause. It calls for a renunciation of worldly aims, for a devotion to a life of loneliness so far as the friendships of the worldly are concerned, but it does not impose a life of utter loneliness. It sets the believer from entanglements with the ungodly that he may have the lofty fellowship with the good.

—BR—

SUBSCRIBE TO THE RECORD

## THE WILL TO OVERCOME

—o—

The will plays a conspicuous part in the religious life. God is forever striving to lead us to the highest peaks of Christian experience and service; but our attainment of these heights is conditioned upon the use of the will in cooperating with Him. In all His teachings about personal salvation Jesus made frequent references to the use of the will. We can become His followers only by willing to do so. "If any man will do His will," Jesus said, "he shall know of the doctrine, whether it be of God, or whether I speak of myself." At times it requires nothing less than the most strenuous effort of the will to live the Christian life consistently. When Jesus said, "Strive to enter in at the strait gate," He used a very strong expression. Our word "agony" is derived from the Greek word translated "strive." The Master seemed to say, "While the world follows the broad and self-indulgent way of life, do you, if need be, agonize to walk in the way of eternal life." He challenges us to make a heroic use of the will. He declared that the lost were those who persistently and deliberately ignored Him—but ye would not."

We find the strongest Christian characters among those noted for their strength of will. Had Martin Luther been a man of a weak will, the history of the Christian church might have been very different from what it is today. When Stonewall Jackson was a young man he took as a motto for his life: "You can be what you resolve to be." As a student he was poorly prepared to enter West Point, but he determined to keep up with his class. Before the lights were put out at night, he would pile up his grate with anthracite coal, and, lying prone before it on the floor, would work away at his lessons by the glare of the fire, which scorched his very brain, till a late hour at night. This heroic use of the will enabled him to keep up with his class and graduate with honors. When he became a Christian his first several attempts to lead in prayer were embarrassing to all concerned. One day his pastor said to him: "Major, we do not wish to make our prayer meetings uncomfortable to you, and if you prefer it, I will not call on you to lead in prayer again." The prompt and emphatic reply was: "My comfort has nothing in the world to do with it, sir; you, as my pastor think it is my duty to lead in public prayer—I think so, too—and by the grace of God I mean to do it. I wish you would please be so kind as to call on me more frequently." The result was that he became one of the most gifted men in prayer in the whole church. If military genius, plus extraordinary willpower, made him a great soldier, the same willpower plus consecration made him a great Christian.

"Self-expression," which to many means only self-indulgence, is the great word of today, but "self-control" should be the Christian's watchword, and here again the will must play an important part. General Lee spoke to the point when a mother brought her child to him for his blessing: "Teach him to deny

himself." The great Christian General could think of no better advice to give a mother than this: "Teach your child self-control." It is a teaching much needed today.

The will to overcome has been the salvation of many a young person when facing sore temptation. During the World War a young soldier was invited to go with some companions to a questionable place of amusement, and he declined to go. His corporal, with a taunt, said: "If you stay in this army it won't be long before you will be running with the crowd." The young man replied: "That's all right, corporal, but I have a mother, a sister, and a sweetheart back home and I have determined to go back to them as straight as when I left them."

When, Daniel, like, we purpose in our hearts that we will not defile ourselves, but do the will of God at all costs, we enlist all the powers of Heaven on our side, and victory is assured.

H. H. Smith

Ashland, Va.

—BR—

## MISSION STUDY INSTITUTE

—o—

On Tuesday, January 16, a group of women from Alcorn and adjoining counties met in the First Baptist Church of Corinth for their annual Mission Study Institute, Miss Frances Traylor and Miss Edwina Robinson presiding. We had as our guest speaker Dr. McCall, our State Board secretary, who discussed the Baptist program. There was only one pastor of Alcorn Association present. Why our pastors and other religious leaders do not attend the state conventions and do not avail themselves of the opportunity of hearing the plans and programs discussed at our various meetings. How the Woman's Missionary Union does wish for the time when our pastors will all get behind our denominational program and help to carry it on. No church can go beyond the leadership of its pastor. When we realize that in the state of Mississippi there are over 1500 Baptist churches and only 752 missionary societies we see what a task confronts us and if ever we are able to meet the needs in these churches we must have the help and cooperation of our pastors. We appreciate

Dr. McCall's discussion. It inspired and challenged us to greater activity in helping to put over the Baptist program in our country. Miss Traylor seemed to be at her best as she discussed with the presidents and others of her group the year book and the work that each officer should do. We feel like she sent those women back to their various fields with a new determination in their hearts to render greater service to the Master during this year, and from some reports of the different counselors we feel like Miss Robinson sent her group home bubbling over with enthusiasm for work among our young people, and we trust this may be the greatest year's work our association has ever known. We cannot recall an Institute that was more inspiring or more challenging than this one was.

Mrs. J. H. Aldridge,  
Associational Supt.

—BR—

Then there was the husband who asked, "By whom?" when told that his wife was outspoken.

## HIGLEY'S 1940 LESSON COMMENTARY

Homiletical Outlines, Object Lessons, Lesson Illustrations, Verse by Verse Analysis. Only \$1.00 from your Bookseller, or HIGLEY PRESS, Dept. J., Butler, Ind.

## To relieve CONSTIPATION



Try this Simple, Pleasant Way!

Take one or two tablets of Ex-Lax before retiring. It tastes just like delicious chocolate. No spoons, no bottles! No fuss, no bother! Ex-Lax is easy to use and pleasant to take! In the morning you have an easy, comfortable bowel movement. Ex-Lax works gently, without strain or discomfort. Except for the pleasant relief you enjoy, you scarcely realize you have taken a laxative. Available at all drug stores in economical 10¢ and 25¢ boxes.

**EX-LAX** The Original Chocolated Laxative

## UNUSUAL BIBLE

Bargain!

SPECIAL PRICE!

Only \$1.79

Postpaid!



Printed on good white Bible paper, bound in strong imitation leather, red edges, overlapping covers, round corners. Size, 6x8 inches.

Large self-pronouncing type, center column references, 5,000 questions and answers, maps, family record, other features. Ask for the Broadman Family Bible!

**BAPTIST BOOK STORE**  
500 East Capitol Street  
Jackson, Miss.



## Sunday School Department

E. C. WILLIAMS, SECRETARY  
JOHN A. FARMER, ASSOCIATE  
MISS RUBY TAYLOR, ELEMENTARY SEC.

1939

As we make the final check-ups for last year, we find the following figures and facts that we are glad to give to you because they give the record made by the Baptists of Mississippi in the Sunday school program last year. They are as follows:

1. Led the South in number of new Cradle Roll departments with completed organizations.
2. Led the South in number of new extension departments.
3. Led the South in percentage increase in training awards.
4. Has the only Advanced Standard Sunday school in the South.
5. One out of four states with 100 or more increase in Vacation Bible schools.
6. 21% increase in Standard Sunday schools.
7. 7,000 increase in Sunday school enrolment.
8. Largest Sunday school convention ever.
9. Largest aggregate number of standard departments and classes ever.
10. Only 7 associations (fewest ever) reported no Vacation Bible school.
11. Only 5 associations (fewest ever) reported no training awards.
12. Most free literature ever distributed.
13. Many new schools, departments, classes, and groups organized.

### Sunday School Convention

We are indeed fortunate in having Dr. R. G. Lee, pastor of the Bellevue Baptist Church, Memphis, on our Convention program at Kosciusko, March 5-6.

Dr. Lee is in great demand as preacher and speaker on many programs throughout the land, and as such has few equals and no superiors. He has a most remarkable command of language and always brings messages that are inspiring and challenging. Surely, this is a great treat in itself for all who attend the Convention.

### Free Book

Dr. T. L. Holcomb, Executive Secretary of the Sunday School Board, authorizes the announcement that until August 1, 1940, the Sunday School Board will send without charge a copy of the new Sunday School Training Book, *The Moral Dignity of Baptism*, by J. M. Frost, to any pastor who will agree to teach the book or to have it taught in his church. Requests will be sent to the State Sunday School Secretary, Box 530, Jackson, and he will see that the book is sent out from the Book Store of Jackson.

### An Early Start

Choctaw County Association had more Vacation Bible schools last year than any one county in the state—14. A recent letter from there gives the information that they are already planning to have schools in the same churches this year, and, in addition, to add six

more at least to that list.

Early planning means more and better schools any time. This is a good suggestion for other associations also as they think of the work for 1940.

—BR—

### WEST SIDE, NATCHEZ

West Side Church had a glorious day on Sunday the 28th when Dr. D. A. McCall assisted Pastor Jim A. Smith in the ordination of brothers W. A. Brown, Alfred Hall, Will Jamison and C. S. Lumbley as deacons, and brother J. W. Kilcrease, already a deacon was named to serve with these in the Lord's work.

The house in which West Side worships was well filled, and a spirit of reverence filled the hearts of all present in the impressive service and soul inspiring sermon preached by Dr. McCall.

West Side is rapidly moving forward in the work of building for the Lord. There are approximately 1,500 unaffiliated Baptists in Natchez, and when the new church house is erected, as the Lord is willing and so directs, this local membership hopes to reach out in earnest in a soul-winning campaign.

The writer has dwelt unceasingly upon one urgent need, if Christian workers expect to succeed. This need not only has to do with a "living church," but also in all Christian denominational efforts. It must be realized if the efforts being put forth with regard to the 5M Club are achieved. And that need is, not merely accepting Christ as Saviour and being baptized, but reaching out and availing one's self as an individual, of the promise of the Holy Spirit.

Jesus, who never preached a sermon or performed a miracle until after He was 30 years of age, after being baptized, immediately prayed for the Spirit, and the prayer was answered by the Father, when the Spirit in the form of a dove descended on Him, and the Father said, "Thou art my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased."

He came to do a work. When you were baptized, undoubtedly you had visions of service too. The Spirit was ever with Him.

We Baptists could shake Missis-

sippi from center to circumference if we would let this one crisis in the life of the Master sink deep into our own hearts. Not merely content ourselves with a profession of faith, or haphazard efforts in church work and witnessing; but also avail ourselves of the prerogative that is ours by having believed.

The reason our state, home, mission and all other boards have to labor so hard, is because of so many gloomy Christians; so many half-hearted ones; so many filled with despondency; so many continually wringing their hands and saying, "Where is the blessedness I knew when first I saw the Lord?" Friends you do not want that blessedness now; that has served its purpose; that was your espousal to Christ; that made you a Christian. The blessedness you now want is not the Christ gift, but the Spirit gift of God, to which every Christian is entitled. If you want this; seriously crave it, why not ask for it, like the Saviour did? It will not come to you as a matter of course; God has a method of grace!

Read Amos 5:4, "Seek ye me, and ye shall live," also Luke 11:9 "Ask and ye shall receive," etc.

Then, and only then, will your life count in service.

—C. S. Lumbley,  
Natchez, Miss.

—BR—

### CAN WE TITHE IN HARD TIMES?

—O—

This is the title of a bulletin published by The Layman Company especially for these times. Layman bulletins on tithing, thirty-two in number, including 16 in new type form and just revised, are printed in regular two page church bulletin

## The BAPTIST HUNDRED THOUSAND CLUB

JAN. 1, 1940

has paid \$1,100,000 on Southwide debts  
has stopped \$60,000 in annual interest  
has strengthened our morale ~ ~ ~  
has reestablished our credit ~ ~ ~  
has helped every cause ~ ~ ~

## WE NEED YOU—JOIN TODAY

\$1.00 A MONTH - "OVER AND ABOVE" - 3 1/2¢ A DAY

size so they may be used by every church issuing a weekly calendar. The two blank pages of each bulletin provide room for announcements of the local church. This arrangement not only affords valuable instruction, but also saves one-half of the printing cost as well as paper. A sample set containing 32 different tithing bulletins will be sent to any address, postpaid for 20 cents.

When you write please mention The Baptist Record, also give your denomination. — The Layman Company, 730 Rush Street, Chicago, Ill.

## Raise MONEY ... Easily

There is no surer, easier or more pleasant way to raise needed funds for churches or clubs than with the aid of our co-operative plan. Women everywhere accept Gottschalk's Metal Sponge as the foremost metal scouring device. They buy this time and labor saver without hesitation. A sale is made almost every call. In the past 20 years we have assisted thousands of organizations to raise money. We will be delighted to help you. Write for particulars. METAL SPONGE SALES CORPORATION, Philadelphia, Penna.

## Gottschalk's METAL SPONGE



An excellent laxative in colds, relieves biliousness, sour stomach, bilious indigestion, flatulence and headache, due to constipation.

10c and 25c at dealers

## Representation Wanted

America's Largest Builders of Monuments Offer You the Following Advantages:—

- ★ Finest and most complete sales equipment.
- ★ Triple selected materials in marble and granite.
- ★ Workmanship by America's master craftsmen.
- ★ Guarantee backed by half million dollars capital and half century of experience.
- ★ Surprisingly low prices.
- ★ New sales plan offers more liberal commission—either full or part time.

Write in today for particulars.

McNELL, (America's Largest Builders of Memorials) Marietta, Ga.



# The Children's Circle

MRS. FRANCES LIPSEY STEELE

(Address all communications to Mrs. Frances Steele, Magee, Miss.)

My dear Children:

Have you enjoyed the snow? Have you snow-balled and made snow men and taken pictures in the snow and then rushed to the fire to warm? Some of you have appreciated the beautiful picture which the snow made through the window, and some of you have found that this is a fine time to toast marshmallows and pop corn and make candy. And some of you have found time to write to the Children's Circle too. I'm glad that, for the needs of these we want to help go right on whether it is hot or cold.

With love,

Mrs. Frances Steele.

## BIBLE STUDY

**Festus Consults Agrippa About Paul**  
(Read Acts 25:13-27)

Some days after Paul had asked to be sent to Caesar, Agrippa who was king over another part of Palestine, came with his sister, Bernice, to visit Festus at Caesarea. Festus told him about Paul, saying "There is a man in prison here, whom the chief priests and elders have asked me to put to death." Now Agrippa was a Jew and when the governor told him that the Jews wanted to put Paul to death, he said "I would also like to hear what this man says." Festus answered "Tomorrow, you shall hear him."

The next day, Agrippa and Bernice, dressed in their royal robes, entered the court room, the chief captains and the princely men of the city with them. Festus sent for Paul, who came with the chains, such as prisoners wore, upon him. Festus told Agrippa that this was the man whom the Jews wished to kill. However, because he had found nothing in Paul worthy of death, and since Paul had appealed to Caesar, he had determined to send Paul to Caesar. "And now," said Festus, "I have brought him before you, O King Agrippa, that after examination I may have something to write Caesar about him, for it seems unreasonable to me to send a prisoner without naming the charge against him."

Agrippa spoke to Paul, saying, "You have permission to speak for yourself and to answer the things which the Jews say against you."

Olive Branch, Miss.

January 16, 1940.

Dear Mrs. Steele:

Thank you for saying you like to have me for a member of the Children's Circle. I count it a joy and a privilege to help with the work in which you engage. To give to our B.B.I. student so that she may the Gospel spread, and give to little children whose parents are dead. I think there are no worthier causes than these, and I want to continue to help in my small way, please.

With lots of love,

Fannie Mae Henley.

It really is a privilege, Fannie Mae, to help in any of the Lord's work, and surely these causes to which we give are the Lord's work. Thank you for your continued contributions.—F. L. S.

Silver Creek, Miss.

January 20, 1940.

Dear Mrs. Steele:

We have not been taking the Baptist Record for about a month, so I have not read the Children's Page. I have been missing it. But we are taking the Baptist Record now.

I am old enough to be in G.A. We are saving our money to get the World Comrade.

I am enclosing 5c for the Orphanage.

Your friend,  
Celeste Fortenberry.

Celeste, we are glad that you are again a reader of the Record. We send our thanks to you for this gift.—F. L. S.

Oxford, Miss.

January 22, 1940.

Dear Mrs. Steele:

I am sending one dollar to the orphans. I enjoy reading the Baptist Record. I think the Children's Circle the best page of all. I hope to be able to send more money to you later.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Howard Webb.

You are kind with your words and your gift, Mrs. Webb. Thank you very much.—F. L. S.

Mt. Olive, Miss.

January 22, 1940.

My dear Mrs. Steele:

I'm a little girl eight years old and I go to New Hope Baptist Church. My Sunday school teacher is Mrs. F. L. Brewer, and our pastor is Rev. B. H. Benton, Taylorsville. I haven't any little brothers or sisters to play with but I have several pets. Old Santa was very good to me this time and I hope he was to all the little children. I am sending ten cents to you for the orphan children. It isn't much but I wanted to help in my small way. I hope to write again soon.

Your little friend,

Willene Roberts.

Willene, if everyone gave what they could give, then all of the needy causes would be well provided for. Thank you for helping.—F. L. S.

Laurel, Miss.

Jan. 25, 1940.

Dear Mrs. Steele:

I am sending ten cents. Use it where it is needed most. I am eight years old. I belong to the First Baptist Church. I go to Sunday school and B.Y.P.U. Brother Gates is pastor and we all love him. He has been our pastor thirty-six years.

Your friend,

Johnny Boyles.

Johnny, I think I'll add your gift to our scholarship for Miss Annie Laurie. I'm grateful to you for remembering your offering.—F. L. S.

Ocean Springs, Miss.

Jan. 23, 1940.

Dear Mrs. Steele:

Here I am again with my little mite and hoping you are enjoying this deliciously cold weather. I'm sitting by a big light wood fire, looking out at snow capped trees, dark green pines with white caps. I also thought I would untangle the tangled words puzzle: 1. Hannah; 2. Esther; 3. Jezebel; 4. Rachel; 5. Miriam; 6. Naomi; 7. Rebekah; 8. Hagar; 9. Deborah; 10. Sarah; 11. Rahab; 12. Ruth. I think I have them untangled.

You may divide the mite as you please.

Mrs. C.A.P.

The snow has made beautiful scenery, Mrs. Cap. It really looks best when one is sitting before a warm fire, I believe, though some of our Circle members would not agree. I'm glad you sent the answer to the tangled word puzzle; it wasn't easy because there were some typographical errors. I'm happy to divide your dollar. Thank you.—F. L. S.

Drew, Miss.

January 17, 1940.

My dear Mrs. Steele:

I want to let you hear from us again, as we do enjoy your page

very much and through your columns we would like to thank so many, many friends who helped us make Christmas a bit brighter in the prison.

I believe every man in the white camps and the hospital were remembered in some way. We have also been receiving some very splendid magazines and a few books. But this season of the year with so much more time to read we do need lots of magazines or reading materials. Won't friends who read this plea please send us books, magazines, song books, poems, school books, or any material we may be able to use.

We want to wish you much success in your new year of work.

Please print our request—and remember us in your prayers.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs. Irene Brewer.

MRS. WILEY D. BURNETT

"She is not dead, but sleepeth."—Matt. 9:24.

These words of Jesus bring comfort to our hearts that are sorrowing over the passing of our beloved "Nell."

To us, she seemed to have just stepped onto life's highway of service, the years of preparation in her girlhood having blossomed into the perfect flower of young womanhood. A womanhood full of happiness, eager anticipation, true friendship, and loving devotion.

So we, the members of the Business Women's Circle, feel that in her going we have sustained an irreparable loss. Though we needed her here, God had a larger service for her.

To the family we would say, "The one bright thread weaving a glorious pattern against the dark, drab distress of these days is the golden thread of God's love."

We know that He doeth all things well.

We extend our deepest sympathy to her family, and wish a copy of these resolutions sent to them, to the Baptist Record, and to the secretary of the Woman's Missionary Society.

—The Business Woman's Circle,  
Charleston Baptist Church.

SUBSCRIBE TO THE BAPTIST RECORD.

## HOLMAN Bible Encyclopedia

CONDENSED

A Compendium of Scriptural Information  
In Compact Form, Size 8 x 5 1/2 Inches,  
Printed on Thin Bible Paper  
Six Hundred (600) Pages Including All of  
the Following Features:



A COMPLETE ILLUSTRATED BIBLE DICTIONARY containing one hundred and fifty illustrations, concise definitions and textual references on nearly 50,000 subjects, more subjects than are found in many of the larger single volume dictionaries. NEW PRACTICAL COURSE IN BIBLE READING arranged so that the Bible may be read through in historic continuity. SPECIAL ANALYTICAL AND COMPARATIVE CONCORDANCE, containing more than fifty thousand references. TREASURY OF BIBLICAL INFORMATION contained in this article is the result of long years of research. READY REFERENCE HAND BOOK including a history of each book of the Bible, Chronological Index, etc. ORIENTAL LIGHT illuminating Bible Texts and Bible Truths by means of Pictures and Explanations of Oriental objects of recent discoveries in Babylonia and Egypt. FOUR THOUSAND QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS ON THE OLD AND NEW TESTAMENT providing all of the known questions that have arisen concerning Bible History and gives the answers thereto. INDEXED ATLAS, ALSO FULL MAPS IN COLORS on which are shown and indexed all of the places mentioned in the Scriptures and their exact location. GALLERY OF ILLUSTRATIONS portraying recent Archaeological Excavations and Discoveries. BIBLE TEXT BOOK alphabetically arranged containing all the principal Texts relating to persons, places and subjects.

—Morocco Grain Binding—Gold Titles .... 1.50

## SOUTHERN SEMINARY

The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary reports an enrollment to date of 453, the largest at any corresponding time of the year in the Seminary's history. The mid-session work has just been passed and a number of the men are beginning to make their plans for their life-work. While every last man of them is willing to go where the Lord leads, it is natural enough that many of them are looking forward to working in their "home state." Mississippi men who have signified their intention not to return to the Seminary next year and who are expecting to take up pastoral work are:

Edward L. Byrd, David T. Cranford, George Harold Douglas, E. C. Edwards, William Womach Ferguson, Van Henry Hardin, Chester Arthur Molpus, Charles Treadway, Joseph F. Woodson.

We are placing this notice in the columns of this paper because we felt that friends of these men throughout the state would like to know of the successful completion of their Seminary courses and of their availability for call after the first of April.

Secretary: "Your little girl wants to kiss you over the phone."

Boss: "Take the message. I'll get it from you later."

## FIGHT COLDS

by helping nature build up your cold-fighting resistance

If you suffer one cold right after another, here's sensational news! Mrs. Elizabeth Vickery writes: "I used to catch colds very easily. Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery helped to strengthen me just splendidly. I ate better, had more stamina, and was troubled very little with colds."



This great medicine, formulated by a practicing physician, helps combat colds this way: (1) It stimulates the appetite. (2) It promotes flow of gastric juices. Thus you eat more; your digestion improves; your body gets greater nourishment which helps nature build up your cold-fighting resistance.

So successful has Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery been that over 30,000,000 bottles have already been used. Proof of its remarkable benefits. Get Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery from your druggist today. Don't suffer unnecessarily from colds.

Or  
\$2.50

for the Encyclopedia and One Year's subscription to the Baptist Record

B

AUB  
LUC

"We can but we can and our blame her blood," but must be the heart into good

The Great ion Enla the

It was y to work l single effo the Traini and suburb ing togeth (37). Abc brought in Georgia an On Sunday had a mee including t other local small conv to our chu work of en the First E and fifty, gathered in Church for on the ni night there ance at the thirty-seve ance on M night of s enrolled in and Tuesd her heavies eleven inch that snow ly all of i when your Ocean Spr south in "C we could g churches in dampened, churches v could not called their or more ca smaller gro day night t a one hund the previou ions were st ers, sponso enlisted. It one that ma soon. I was church, not church men top in atten during the largement i ing fire eve

Thinking the major e on. Mississ growth mad nothing but have cooper possible, but with renewe



# Baptist Training Union

*Aim—Training in Church Membership*

AUBER J. WILDS . . . . . STATE SECRETARY  
LUCY CARLETON WILDS . . . . . ASSOCIATE SECRETARY  
OXFORD, MISS. . . . . JACKSON, MISS.

## Meditation

"We cannot choose our ancestors, but we can choose our companions and our plan of life. Men often blame heredity, saying 'it is in my blood,' but here is Christ saying, 'Ye must be born again.' He changes the heart with all its bad heredity into goodness and truth."

—B.A.U. Quarterly.

## The Greatest Baptist Training Union Enlargement Campaign In the World's History

It was your secretary's privilege to work last week in the largest single effort in the enlargement of the Training Union. It was Atlanta and suburban towns that were working together, thirty-seven churches (37). About 125 workers were brought in from other churches of Georgia and from eight other states. On Sunday afternoon (Jan. 21) we had a meeting of all the workers including the pastors, directors, and other local workers—it was like a small convention. We went out then to our churches to start work, the work of enlargement. Every day at the First Baptist Church a hundred and fifty, more or less, workers gathered in the chapel of the First Church for a check up and report on the night before. On Sunday night there were 4,700 in attendance at the Training Unions of these thirty-seven churches. The attendance on Monday night, the first night of study, there were 2,750 enrolled in classes. On Monday night and Tuesday Atlanta experienced her heaviest snow in history, nearly eleven inches (official record) and that snow was still there, practically all of it, on Saturday morning when your Secretary headed for Ocean Springs, Mississippi—as far south in "Good Old Mississippi" as we could go. But the spirit of the churches in the campaign was not dampened, there were a few churches where the membership could not get to the church that called their campaign off, but thirty or more carried through, and this smaller group set a goal for Sunday night the 28th, of 7,226, about a one hundred percent increase of the previous Sunday. 190 new unions were started, and 432 new leaders, sponsors and presidents were enlisted. It was a great experience, one that many of us will not forget soon. I was working in the Hapeville church, not one of the largest in church membership, but near the top in attendance and enlargement during the week. The spirit of enlargement is in the air. It is catching fire everywhere.

Thinking of enlargement—that is the major effort with us from now on. Mississippi is proud of the growth made during the past year, nothing but praise for those who have cooperated and made progress possible, but we look to the future with renewed effort. Too many good

Baptists in the bleachers, we must organize more "teams" (Unions) for them to play on. "Hats off to the past, coats off to the future," must be our slogan. Several helpful enlargement campaigns marked 1939 for us in Mississippi, and already for this year a number have been planned. Why not plan one for your church, your association? We will help you if we can.

## Wiggins the First In 1940 To Stage Enlargement Campaign

During the week of January 7-12 the Wiggins church, brother N. J. Lee as pastor and H. V. Redfield as director, the Wiggins church put on an enlargement campaign with the help of Aubur J. Wilds, Miss Lucy Carleton Wilds, Miss Flois Mae Chapman, and Miss Anna Bell Jenkins. The church had one each of the five departments of Training Union when the campaign was begun and as a result the work was enlarged to 9 giving them one Story Hour with Mrs. Stewart as leader; two Junior Unions with Mrs. N. J. Lee and Mrs. H. V. Redfield leading; two Intermediate Unions with Miss Mary Annis and Miss Ona Mae Willingham leading; two Young People's Unions with Miss Cassie Breland and Mrs. Edgar Bates serving as Counselors, and two Adult Unions with Mr. Claud Davis and Mrs. Andress serving as presidents. A good attendance marked each night's class work, a spirit to grow, to enlarge, was manifest on every hand and so Wiggins sets the pace for this kind of a program for all other churches in Mississippi for 1940.

## Bible Readers Certificate Awarded

We are happy to report here that Miss Mary D. Wilds of Oxford has been awarded the certificate for one year's Daily Bible Readings. Mary D. is nine, started her Junior readings when she was eight and in the Story Hour, has kept them up for a year and thus merits the one year certificate which has been awarded by the Baptist Sunday School Board of Nashville. Congratulations Mary D., and may you continue this fine practice of letting God talk to you every day from his word.

Friends, who have contributed to the fund, suggested last summer at Ridgecrest which was to send brother Walter Kachel and his family back to Brazil, where he will become the Secretary of Baptist Training Union for Brazil, will be glad to know that the fund has reached the sum of \$555.82. The amount hoped for was \$600.00 and Mr. Lambdin feels sure that this small additional amount will be forthcoming. May we thank those in Mississippi who had a part, you have made a real contribution to Missions as brother and Mrs. Kachel witness for the Master in Brazil, we hope for many, many years.

## Copiah Reports Progress

Miss Margaret Miller, director of the Copiah Associational Training Union makes her report for the last quarter of 1939. They have 29 churches and 22 of these have one or more unions. This is 75% which is 20% higher than the average for the state. In these churches there are 8 Story Hours, 17 Junior Unions, 17 Intermediate Unions, 15 Young People's Unions and 14 Adult Unions, a total of 71. This is a third as many unions as we had in Mississippi when your present Secretary began his work. Miss Miller is a great favorite among the young people of her association. She has a splendid corps of officers. Their quarterly meetings of the association are largely attended, and a fine spirit prevails in all quarters. Recently two Adult Unions have been organized, one at Smyrna, the other at Carpenter. Banners awarded at the last associational-wide meeting for attendance and efficiency were won by: Attendance, Pine Bluff; Efficiency, B.T.U., Crystal Springs; B.A.U., Crystal Springs; Young People, Sylvaena; Intermediate, Pine Bluff; Junior, Wesson.

HARRIS—On Wednesday afternoon, January 24, 1940, at 1:20 o'clock, at the residence, 7802 Jeanette street, Evelyn Van Buren, wife of Colonel James T. Harris,

## A NEW YEAR RESOLUTION

Resolve that your church shall be adequately protected against loss by fire during 1940. Investigate our free insurance plan. For information, write L. L. Riley, Secretary, Southern Mutual Church Insurance Company, Columbia, S. C.

Sr., mother of Van Buren and Emile H. Harris of this city and James T. Harris, Jr., of Houston, Texas. Funeral will take place Thursday morning, January 25, 1940, at 11 o'clock, from the House of Bultman, St. Charles avenue at Louisiana avenue. Interment in Metairie cemetery.

To Relieve  
Misery of  
**COLDS**  
take **666**  
LIQUID, TABLETS, SALVE, NOSE DROPS

## A Free Copy of THE PATH TO WAR Is Ready for You

Send One New Subscription or Two Renewals at \$1.50 Each

OR

Send Your Renewal and 25 Cents for Your Free Copy of THE PATH TO WAR

The History of the Development of the World Crisis

★

Chronology of Events—1919-1939  
Maps and Charts: Europe, 1914,, 1920, 1939; Germany, 1914, 1919, 1939

British White Papers  
Speeches

Neutrality Proclamation  
Territorial Changes  
Cost of the World War  
Comparative Arms Budgets  
Comparative Military Strength

THE BAPTIST RECORD  
Jackson, Miss.

## February 11

February 11 is B. H. T. C. Day

February 11 is B. H. T. C. Day among Southern Baptists who want to help realize a Debtless Denomination by 1945.

February 11 is the day for every pastor, officer, deacon, teacher, leader, and worker in every church, Sunday school, training union, missionary society, and brotherhood to join the Baptist Hundred Thousand Club and help our denomination get out of debt and stay out of debt.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11 IS BAPTIST HUNDRED THOUSAND CLUB DAY

## The Baptist Hundred Thousand Club Membership Card

1. I want to help my denomination get out of debt and stay out of debt.

Please enrol me for the membership checked below:

- ( ) Individual Membership, \$1.00 a month;  
( ) Multiple Membership, \$.....a month;  
( ) Joint Membership, 50 cents a month (each);  
( ) Group or Circle Membership. Name of Group or Circle

( ) Memorial Membership \$100.....

2. This membership is for.....years beginning....., 19.....

3. Credit this membership to the organization checked below:  
( ) Church ( ) W.M.U. ( ) B.T.U. ( ) S. S. ( ) Brotherhood

My name .....

Address .....

Name of Church..... Association.....

(Sign and hand card to your Pastor or Treasurer who will report to J. E. Dillard, 161 Eighth Ave., N., Nashville, Tennessee.)



### A SOLDIER OF THE CROSS—A VETERAN OF THE BAPTIST MINISTRY

On November 13, 1939, in his 86th year, Dr. and Mrs. J. E. Buchanan of Blue Mountain, Mississippi, celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary, surrounded by all of their children except two who could not attend. For 60 years there had not been a death in the family of which Dr. Buchanan was the head—a family of four sons and one daughter. Three weeks later, Dec. 3, on the Lord's day, God called Mrs. Buchanan to Him. Less than a month after his wife joined the heavenly host, God lifted Dr. Buchanan to be with her in paradise.

Dr. Buchanan married Miss Corrie Berry, Nov. 13, 1879. She was the sister of Rev. W. E. Berry, husband of "Mother" Berry of Blue Mountain. The ceremony was performed by Rev. M. P. Lowrey, founder of Blue Mountain College. Mrs. Buchanan was a member of the faculty of the college before and after her marriage.

Inspired by his good wife and the promises of God, Dr. Buchanan led an active, militant life for his Lord, having held pastorates for more than fifty years in Mississippi, Tennessee, and Texas.

The family altar was the central point in the home life of the Buchanans as their children began to arrive and were reared in the fear and admonition of the Lord. God worked fruitfully in their lives. After graduating from Blue Mountain College, the daughter, Mrs. J. R. Claypool, Jr. (Marietta Buchanan) now of Nashville, Tennessee, taught 12 years, then served three years as educational director of First Baptist Church, Tupelo, Miss., and three years in the same capacity at First Church, Columbus, Miss., after which she became Junior - Intermediate leader of the B. Y. P. U. of the Mississippi Baptist Convention. One of the sons, John H. Buchanan, who, in compliance with his father's request several years ago, helped conduct his father's funeral this month, entered the ministry after graduating from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary and is now pastor of the Southside Baptist Church, Birmingham, Ala. He formerly held pastorates at El Dorado, Ark., Paris, Tenn., and Lynchburg, Va. Another son, J. E. Buchanan, Jr., is business manager of Blue Mountain College. Another son is a physician in Nocona, Texas, and one is in the insurance business in Ardmore, Oklahoma. One of Dr. Buchanan's sisters, Miss Margaret Buchanan, for many years was secretary of the Woman's Missionary Union of the Tennessee Baptist Convention. He left two other sisters, Miss Nannie Buchanan and Mrs. W. R. Gurney, of Blue Mountain.

The lives of this veteran of the ministry and his saintly wife wrought nobly in blessing to their children and for the glory of God.

Frank E. Skilton.

"What are the ladies of the club discussing now?"

"A scheme to fix up the war debt."

"Do they wish to remit it?"

"No, their idea is to take it out in gowns and hats."



Attending Sixtieth Wedding Anniversary of Dr. and Mrs. J. E. Buchanan at Blue Mountain

### B. O. B. F. Bryan Simmons Field Representative

Our children have been comfortable in their new dormitories during this severe cold spell. How different it would have been had they been in those old open buildings. Surely every one who had a part in making the new buildings a reality in thanking God for the privilege God led them to accept. The children are grateful and happy; but, amid their comforts and joys they do not forget to pray for those less fortunate than themselves.

### A Morning Prayer Service

For some mornings it has been the writer's privilege to attend a prayer service held by a group of boys from eight to twelve years old along with their matron, from 5:15 to 5:30 each morning. It is a joy to note the directness, the sincerity and the confidence in their prayers. They pray God's blessings on those who have given and ask God to lead others to give to the Building program. In many prayers there is a plea for the piano for which they are so anxious. The Missionaries on Foreign Fields are not left out of these prayers. Surely God is hearing and answering.

### Responses

Some Sunday schools have already sent in gifts in response to the appeal made in behalf of our chapel. We have heard from others who have either taken offerings or are making plans to do so. How fine it will be if the response from the Sunday schools at this time is general and generous.

Gifts are also coming from other sources. Three good women, all of whom have given before, have sent in gifts of One Hundred Dollars each. Others are sending in volunteer offerings of various amounts.

I join with the boys in praying God's blessings on those who have given and also in their petition that he lead others to do likewise.

Fortunately, the contractor was able to get a temporary roof over the unfinished portion of our Ad-

ministration building and some windows in the openings before this awfully cold spell. We hope there will be comparatively little damage done and that work can be resumed when the weather moderates.

Please pray with us that we may so work during the year as to get the best results without interfering with the general program of the Denomination.

**LADIES', MEN'S HOSIERY**  
5 Pairs Ladies' Chardonize Hose  
\$1.00 postpaid. 1940 Catalogue ready.  
Write for one.  
L. S. SALES CO., Asheboro, N. C.

### TO FINNISH BAPTISTS

Dr. J. H. Rushbrooke, President of the Baptist World Alliance, forwarded from London on December 16, 1939, the following message to the Baptists of Finland:

"Dear Brother:

"I want you to know that you and the Finnish brethren have the full and deep sympathy of your fellow-Baptists throughout the world. They earnestly pray that the all-sufficient grace of God may be richly bestowed on you all!

"Your country has won the admiration of the whole earth by its brave stand for freedom against lawless violence. Finland is maintaining the rights and dignity of the human spirit and offering a deathless example to men of every race. No words can express the emotion of our hearts as we contemplate your heroic and unequal struggle.

"God save Finland!

"Fraternally yours,

(Signed) J. H. Rushbrooke."

—BR—

SUBSCRIBE TO THE RECORD

### A New Cox Book! LIVES THAT OFT REMIND US

by Enos K. Cox of Gloster, Miss.

The author of "Where is the Lord God of Elijah" has written another volume of equal worth in which the lives of twenty O. T. characters are so vividly pictured that they effectively proclaim those practical truths so greatly needed today. Every message a literary gem! Mrs. Noah, An Old-Time Preacher's Wife! Esau, The Man Who Could Not Wait; Jochebed, A Mighty Mother; Shamgar, The Hero of the Ox Goad; Eli, A Father Who Failed; and Caleb, A Puritan of the Long Ago, are among those characters whose lives still speak with power through the animated expositions of this dynamic preacher.

Attractively bound in cloth, with two-colored jacket; 176 pages; \$1.00.  
BIBLE INSTITUTE COLPORTAGE ASS'N.  
8436 N. Wells Street Chicago, Ill.

## Resolved

**JAN. 1940 JAN.**

to **Save More**  
during 1940  
by traveling  
via **Tri-State Coaches**

**1/3 Cost**  
DRIVING YOUR CAR  
12 TIMES  
Safer

**RESOLVE** to save more during 1940 when you travel. You can go for 1/3 the cost of driving your own car . . . and records prove that it is 12 times safer. You will see more and pay less for your business or pleasure trips during 1940 if you go by bus. Frequent dependable schedules everywhere, everyday. No traffic worries, possible breakdowns, or other delays. Arrive at your destination refreshed and safe.

**SEE OUR LOCAL AGENT**

**TRI-STATE COACHES**

W. H. JOHNSON, President

It gives m  
bring you a  
school of our  
one of you tr  
associated wit  
It has been m  
the lovely nu  
the supervisor  
a meal with th  
dining room. I  
of Christian  
the organizati  
young women  
Everyone of t  
a 12th grade  
and some of t  
two years coll

We have girl  
except Jewish  
The total enro  
white nurses

I find the  
class condition  
great pride in  
with attractiv  
etc. They en  
room where mo  
of two hours  
hours on Sund  
large cheerful  
and very invit

The Chapel

spot to the st  
it is that th  
morning pray

W.A. meetings  
It is equipped  
good seats and

"Popular Hym  
required to att  
ice and each o

for leading the  
Hewitt, of the

is leader of th  
W.A., and ver

visitors from  
attend the mo

Prayer Service  
mas eve, and

son brought th  
Child. Christm

by the girls.

Mrs. Anna M

structress, has

ing program, b

and on the floo

about 10 memb

operating room

department. El

the State Board

ed. In the last

lowing girls h

good positions

Superintendent

burg Hospital;

istant to Dr. J

Holliday, Oper

visor, Tallulah

Floor Supervis

pital; and Mis

Technician and

I find we have

states, all of

jobs. Three n

added to the t

last week: Miss

ence; Miss Lou

and Miss Hold

Miss Lackey

the girls, and

sociation with

fluence over th

hesitate to go

Mrs. Gilfoy,

enjoys the este

every girl in



# REPORT OF THE TRAINING SCHOOL, MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST HOSPITAL—

—O—

It gives me great pleasure to bring you a report of the training school of our hospital. I am sure no one of you trustees is more closely associated with the hospital than I. It has been my pleasure to visit over the lovely nurses' home, as well as the supervisors' home, also, to have a meal with the nurses in their new dining room. I find a splendid spirit of Christian fellowship throughout the organization. The nurses are young women of the highest type. Everyone of them is a graduate of a 12th grade affiliated high school, and some of them have had one or two years college work.

We have girls of all denominations except Jewish in our training school. The total enrollment now is 83, 78 white nurses and 6 colored nurses.

I find the nurses' home in first class condition, and the girls take a great pride in fixing up their rooms with attractive pictures, curtains, etc. They enjoy the large living room where most of their rest period of two hours each day and four hours on Sunday are spent. It is a large cheerful room, well furnished, and very inviting.

The Chapel is a very hallowed spot to the student nurses. Here it is that they have their early morning prayer service, their Y. W. A. meetings, and Bible lectures. It is equipped with a lovely piano, good seats and six dozen song books, "Popular Hymnals." Every girl is required to attend the Chapel Service and each one has her own date for leading the service. Mrs. Purser Hewitt, of the First Baptist Church, is leader of the Grace McBride Y. W. A., and very frequently brings visitors from the First Church to attend the meetings. A Twilight Prayer Service was held on Christmas eve, and Miss Edwina Robinson brought the story of the Christ Child. Christmas carols were sung by the girls.

Mrs. Anna Musgrave, a degree instructress, has charge of the teaching program, both in the classroom and on the floors. She is assisted by about 10 members of the staff, the operating room, and the Laboratory department. Eleven of our girls took the State Board in October and passed. In the last two months, the following girls have been placed in good positions: Miss Gatewood, Superintendent of Nurses, Vicksburg Hospital; Miss Bennett, Assistant to Dr. James, Bentonia; Miss Holliday, Operating Room Supervisor, Tallulah, La.; Miss McElveen, Floor Supervisor, Tylertown Hospital; and Miss Love, Laboratory Technician and Nurse, at Parchman. I find we have girls working in 18 states, all of them holding good jobs. Three new girls have been added to the training school in the last week: Miss Ellen Steen, of Florence; Miss Louise Hall of Sumrall; and Miss Holder, of Lexington.

Miss Lackey is Mother Advisor to the girls, and so close is her association with them and her influence over them that they do not hesitate to go to her at any time.

Mrs. Gilfoy, our superintendent, enjoys the esteem and friendship of every girl in the training school.

She is never too busy to lend an ear to their wants, their sorrows, or their joys, and she is happiest when she is serving them.

Prayer meeting is held for the colored folks in the Chapel every Wednesday evening. One of their own color plays the piano. They select their own songs, lead in prayer, and Mrs. Gilfoy brings the scripture readings. It is not necessary to require them to be present; they look forward to this hour and are always on time.

It is pleasing to note the manner of the girls in the dining room, gentle, courteous and appreciative. As a whole, I think we have a splendid training school, and surely no phase of our Baptist work in Mississippi is doing a greater work than is our hospital in the training of these splendid Christian girls. Letters from the girls who have gone out into other places the past month bring the news that they have put in the Chapel services as a part of the daily routine and as nearly as they can, they are carrying out the rules of their Alma Mater.

Respectfully submitted,  
Gertrude B. Lovelace.  
(Mrs. B. H.)

—BR—

## RESOLUTIONS OF APPRECIATION

—O—

Whereas, Rev. and Mrs. C. W. Thompson have worked faithfully and efficiently in Mississippi Baptist Association for the past several years: brother Thompson serving several small churches in connection with his pastorate at Liberty, in addition to being moderator of the association for three years, and working in every phase of the Denominational program; while Mrs. Thompson has been an efficient worker in every department of the associational, and Denominational program, being Superintendent of the Associational W.M.U. at the time of their retirement from the field, and

Whereas, they have heard the call of God to another field, and have accepted the pastorate of the Second Avenue Baptist Church in Laurel, Mississippi;

Be it resolved by the Mississippi Baptist Associational Sunday School Convention, meeting in regular session, December 31, 1939:

First, That we feel very keenly the loss of the Spiritual leadership of these faithful servants of the Lord, but we bow in humble submission to the will of our Father in Heaven who doeth all things well.

Second, We desire to express to these, our fellow labourers, our love and appreciation for all they have meant to the work of the Lord in our Association.

Third, We most heartily commend them to the Second Avenue Church, and to all the Baptists of Jones County Association, and pray the blessings of God on you as you work together. You will find in these noble Christians, workers who can be trusted to the limit, and who will give of their best to the promotion of the cause of Christ. They are well trained, and fully consecrated to the Lord. Their motives are pure, their lives above reproach, and the ability of each is unsurpassed.

Fourth, A copy of these resolu-

tions shall be sent to brother and Mrs. Thompson, a copy to the Second Avenue Church, a copy each to the Baptist Record and the Liberty Herald.

S. J. Rhodes,  
Mrs. M. D. Quinn,  
Mrs. T. J. DeLaughter,  
Committee.

—BR—

## BAPTIST MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

—O—

As I write this line, I hear from the office that we have the largest number of patients in the history of the hospital. That number is 432.

The annual meeting of the Board of Trustees was held Tuesday the 16th. Out of the 27 members, 24 were present. It was not possible for the remaining three to attend. Dr. W. T. Lowrey, though to ill to attend, was elected as chairman which position he has held from the beginning of the institution.

The Superintendent's report indicated great progress in every way. Many changes have been made in the different departments as to location, equipment, and efficiency.

During the last year there were 15,858 admissions. Of this number 4,300 were charity patients. To this may be added 1,346 who in some way received free treatment. Since the opening of the Hospital, 280,194 patients have been admitted.

The School of Nursing has made more progress along educational lines than in its history. The graduate staff is larger and better prepared to take care of serious responsibilities. The entrance requirements for pupil nurses is also increased. Those who enter must have good health, good moral character, and at least successful training in accredited high schools.

It will be of interest to know that at this meeting of the Board, the executive committee was authorized

to proceed at once to erect an additional nurses' home. Probabilities are that this work will be begun in the very near future; at any rate, as soon as the committee deems it advisable.

In addition to the scientific and professional progress of the Hospital, we are trying through the religious department to lift an inspiring standard of spiritual values. The weekly meeting, under the direction of the Hospital Pastor, has grown in numbers, interest, and we believe, in spiritual force. The pastor seeks to do as far as possible that which is necessary in the way of soul winning, spiritual culture, and general uplift. Miss Barbour, the secretary is also the B.S.U. Secretary and endeavors constantly, personally, officially, and systematically to inspire and encourage the highest and most beautiful Christian life. She has the oversight of necessary organizations and teaches the uniform lesson on Sunday morning to an interested group. Our office may be regarded as the denominational headquarters for the Hospital, and the Lord is showing favor and giving abundant blessings.

—BR—

SUBSCRIBE TO THE RECORD

**Church Furniture**  
Work of the Highest Quality  
At Reasonable Prices  
Write for Catalogue  
**BUDDE & WEIS MFG. CO.**  
JACKSON, TENNESSEE

**Already Dissolved**  
All Ready to Relieve  
**HEADACHE**  
Liquid **CAPUDINE**

We Are Proud of Our Record  
Over 40 Years of Service to Churches and Ministers  
A Policy in Your Church Mutual Stands for  
**SECURITY**  
Take Advantage of Our Lower Premium  
Cost and Privilege of Annual Payments  
FIRE - LIGHTNING - WINDSTORM - HAIL - INSURANCE  
**NATIONAL MUTUAL CHURCH INSURANCE CO.**  
CHICAGO

**Pruitt**

## OFFICE MACHINES

SAVE UP TO \$80.50 ON A TYPEWRITER

Similar Amounts on

Addressing Machines, Multigraphs, Folders,  
Typewriters, Adding Machines, Duplicators—  
Write PRUITT, 128 Pruitt Bldg., Chicago.



## GOING PLACES

By A. L. GOODRICH, Circulation Manager

Our Text: I Timothy 4:13a and 15b, "Till I come, give attendance to reading—give thyself WHOLLY to them, that thy profiting may appear to ALL." Our Motto: "Ask the people, they'll subscribe."

### CIRCULATION LAST WEEK

**18,182**

#### THANKS

to all who helped put it there.

#### ESTES STILL GOING

Our weekly letter from Rev. E. D. Estes, State Evangelist, brought us a list of 17 subscriptions.

In last week's issue was a list of the gifts of the churches for 1939. An examination of that list is at least "eye opening." We refer to the fact that in most instances the EVERY FAMILY churches are the best giving churches. THE RECORD DOES HELP.

#### JAYESS

Rev. D. W. Griffin is the beloved pastor at Jayess. The night was cold, the sleet and snow had come but so had the people. We explained the E F Plan and after the pastor had expressed his approval of it the church adopted it.

The Sunday school with C. T. O'Quinn as superintendent is growing. Class rooms have been curtailed off and other forward steps are planned.

Supper in the home of brother and sister B. E. Boyd was worth the whole trip.

Lawrence County's subscribers are listed as follows: Old Hebron 1; NEWHEBRON 77; Old Silver Creek 15; SILVER CREEK 22; SHILOH 44; Monticello 8; R. F. D. Monticello 1; Sontag

6; Wanilla 2; Oakvale 2; Society Hill 1; JAYESS 54.

#### CROOKED CREEK STRAIGHTENED

Recently Rev. B. E. Philips of Newhebron became pastor at Crooked Creek. When we heard it we remarked that it wouldn't be long before he had the Record in their homes. We prophesied correctly, for sooner than we expected Pastor Philips brought in a list of 30. Others could if. . .

#### BROOKHAVEN

It was a cold day at Brookhaven, but the crowd was large and the fellowship warm. With Prof. C. H. Lipsey as superintendent the Sunday school continues to be one of the leading ones in the state. All Brookhaven is proud of the W.M.U. which has a habit of being A-1. They were in 1939 and the president, Mrs. T. C. Clarke, is planning to lead them to the same heights in 1940. Assistant Pastor A. E. Harvey is B.T.U. director and all unions are doing good work under his leadership.

Dr. S. H. Jones, the pastor, came to Brookhaven less than a year ago and has already seen approximately 100 additions. Finances are in good shape. Each month has found all bills paid and no deficit.

Plans are under way to greatly enlarge the Record reader list and with the kind of cooperation Dr. Jones is giving, the goal of 100 will soon be reached.

Lincoln County subscribers are listed as follows: Shady Grove 4; Mt. Pleasant 2; Bogue Chitto 15; Brookhaven 43; HEUCK'S RETREAT 52; New Prospect 9; Pearlhaven 1; Fair River 4; New Sight 5; Mt. Vernon 1; MACEDONIA 36; FRIENDSHIP 20; Shady Grove 8; Calvary 1.

#### WELL SAID

Through the years we have observed that the more a church member knows about our denominational life and activities, he has a better

balanced Christian attitude. This information enlarges his vision, deepens his interest and properly relates him in his outlook to the larger program of life in which our Lord wants him to be interested. We sin against our people and the Lord, if we fail to provide them with the guidance and leadership that will cause our church to be informed and sympathetically interested in the work of our denominational institutions and causes.—Dr. Norman W. Cox.

The above words taken from a recent article in the Record came from a pastor of wide experience.

The Baptist Record helps church members to become informed about the work of his denomination.

#### THE RECORD DOES HELP

Contributions through the State Board office for 1939 were \$13,200 more than for 1938.

Baptist Record circulation for 1939 was 2,144 more than 1938. As the Record circulation rises, so do receipts. The Record helps.

#### THE PROOF OF THE PUDDING IS IN. . .

Pastor J. D. Walker of Center Terrace is leading his people in a forward program. Recently twelve Sunday school rooms have been added and the auditorium enlarged.—They have the E F Plan.

Pastor E. J. Blackford reports a fine day Sunday at Van Winkle Church. The deacons made report on budget and the church unanimously accepted it.—Another E F church.

Pastor J. W. Sturdivant reports that a well organized Sunday school training course has just been completed at Morrison Chapel. There was an average attendance of twenty-two for five consecutive nights.—The E F Plan helps.

First Church of Union voted to participate in the Ministers' Retirement Plan. Our work is progressing with increase in Sunday school and Training Union attendance in the past three months.—Union has the E F Plan.

#### DID YOU KNOW THAT—

Figures from our four Southwide graduate institutions for future denominational leaders show that 21.6 per cent of the college men and women enrolled in them are from state colleges and universities. Broken down to individual institutions the percentages are:

Baptist Bible Institute—23.7.

Southern Baptist Theological Seminary—18.4.

Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary—20.4.

W. M. U. Training School—36.

What led these young people in our seminaries and our training school from state colleges and universities to dedicate their lives to the ministry, to the mission fields, and to other full time religious work? Why this substantial percentage from institutions where the study of the Bible and the study of Christianity is not emphasized?

It strikes me that such fruitful results are due principally to the efforts of the workers in the Baptist Student Union department of the Sunday School Board in promoting Baptist Student Unions in these institutions, and to the ministering of the pastors located in these centers. Of course, above all is God.

Frank E. Skilton

Blue Mountain.

#### SOUTHSIDE CHURCH, JACKSON

The dedication and ordination services for Southside Baptist Church were postponed to a later date because of bad weather. However, that made little difference in

a fine service for Southside Sunday. There were four additions and wonderful services. Believe it or not, the B.T.U. attendance exceeded that of the Sunday school by six. Looks as if the B.T.U. means to win the race. However, both the B.T.U. and Sunday school were off in attendance because of so much sickness.

Oswald—Pop, I need an encyclopedia for school.

Pop—Nothing doing; you can walk like I did.

#### EYE COMFORT

Relieve Irritation due to over-use, exposure to Dust, Glare

**JOHN R. DICKEY'S EYE WASH**  
OLD RELIABLE  
refreshes and brings comfort. Used 65 years. Genuine in red box. 25c and 50c at drug stores. Ask for large size with dropper.  
DICKEY DRUG COMPANY, BRISTOL, VA.

#### Need Laxative? Take All-Vegetable One

Don't let impatience lead you into harsh measures for the relief of constipation!

There's no use, for a little spicy, all-vegetable BLACK - DRAUGHT taken by simple directions, will gently persuade your bowels.

Taken at bedtime, it generally allows time for a good night's rest. Morning usually brings punctual, satisfying relief from constipation and its symptoms such as headaches, biliousness, sour stomach, no appetite or energy.

BLACK - DRAUGHT'S main ingredient is an "intestinal tonic-laxative" which helps tone intestinal muscles. 25 to 40 doses, only 25c.

## Shall It Be Done?

Shall the Mississippi Baptist Convention Ministers' Retirement Plan begin to operate as of July 1, 1940, or earlier?

This is a question for the Mississippi churches and their pastors to answer, and very particularly for those pastors who are under 45. The older men are sincerely wanted—the young men are necessary for the successful launching and operation of this Plan. And if this Plan will not secure the approval and cooperation of churches and pastors—what then? The answer is plain, namely, "that probably NO PLAN WILL WORK!"

No other way is open nor seems possible to be opened to churches and preachers in Mississippi that will make so small a demand upon the income of pastors, and likewise require so small a contribution from their churches. The Mississippi Baptist State Convention has voted to operate this Plan through the Relief and Annuity Board at Dallas, Texas. The young pastors, the middle aged and even the old ones, will share alike in proportion to their salaries. DENOMINATIONAL UNDERGIRDING MAKES THIS POSSIBLE.

Do you understand this Plan? If so kindly notify D. A. McCall that you and your church or churches will participate. If in need of further information, please write to the undersigned.

**D. A. McCall, Corresponding Secretary**  
**Jackson, Mississippi**

OLD SERIES  
VOLUME LXI

Who's

The Sunday church hymn Hymnal.

Florida Bary launched with Dr. A.

Dr. E. D. tist Witness the celebrat

Hospital in

At a recent Oklahoma set to be raised

debts through

State Eva in January

There were other conver

A young

Institute in Southern Lo

group of chi before. This

only one ma Baptist.

Blue Moun

ulty, who h

winter vacat

to the centra

undergoing

dent Lawren

Tuesday mor

Do you th

invitation fr

World Allian

Federal Cour

interest of w

er been will

with Protest

head of a p

The quart

hood of Pear

year church,

Song service

by Mr. B. V

by each loca

and Better C

What We O

Powell, (7) I

portunity To

Sebe Dale, (

We have re

pamy of Kan

Style Family

fully. The fir

you open it

make-up. An

mediately im

That means a

ble reader. T

want are fou

orized" or Ki

references in

is a concord

Bible student

to locate any

course there

It is what th

able Bible wi